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* ORIENTAL	5284	J. F. Jephson	25th "
M.L. ARABIA	7903	J. L. Parfitt	1st June
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* EGYPT	7912	G. L. Langborne	22nd "
M.L. PERSIA	8000	W. A. Wheler	29th "
* PLASSY	7405	C. F. Preston	6th July
M.L. EGYPT	7912	G. L. Langborne	13th "
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MARIA VALERIE. P.	Berberovich	4,235	in Aug., 1901.

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NATAL	4,232	Bouis	4th July, 1901.
SALAZIE	4,235	Girard	1st Aug., 1901.

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	Whole Life Premiums.	Premiums Limited to			Payable at death, or in			
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	Rs. a.	Rs. a.	Rs. a.	Rs. a.	Rs. a.	Rs. a.	Rs. a.	
20	21 10	48 8	36 6	30 7	64 5	47 6	37 11	20
21	22 1	49 4	36 14	30 15	64 6	47 8	37 13	21
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23	23 1	50 12	38 0	31 15	64 9	47 12	38 1	23
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27	25 5	54 4	40 10	34 2	65 1	48 6	38 14	27
28	25 15	54 14	41 5	34 12	65 4	48 9	39 2	28
29	26 9	55 13	42 1	35 6	65 7	48 12	39 6	29
30	27 4	56 13	42 13	36 0	65 10	49 0	39 11	30
31	27 15	57 13	43 10	36 11	65 13	49 4	40 0	31
32	28 11	58 14	44 7	37 6	66 0	49 8	40 6	32
33	29 8	59 15	45 4	38 2	66 4	49 13	40 12	33
34	30 6	61 1	46 2	38 15	66 8	50 2	41 3	34
35	31 5	62 4	47 1	39 12	66 13	50 8	41 10	35
36	32 5	63 8	48 0	40 10	67 2	50 14	42 2	36
37	33 5	64 12	49 0	41 9	67 8	51 5	42 11	37
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By Order of the Board,
F. D. STRANACK,
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Oriental Buildings, Bombay, 1st May, 1900.

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LD.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL... Yens 8,000,000
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Paid up Capital	$ 100,00,000
Sterling Reserve Fund	$ 100,00,000
Silver Reserve Fund	$ 30,00,000
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BOMBAY AGENCY.

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FIXED DEPOSITS.

Are received for 12 months at 4 per cent per annum and for shorter periods on terms which may be ascertained on application.

Credits granted on approved Securities, and every Description of Banking and Exchange Business transacted.

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W. E. THOMSON,
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47, Church Gate Street, Bombay

NATIONAL BANK OF INDIA, LD,

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL ...£1,000,000
PAID-UP CAPITAL £500,000
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H. CHALMERS,
Manager.

BANK OF CALCUTTA, LIMITED.

CAPITAL.

Subscribed ..... Rs.	15,00,000
Reserve Fund..... „	11,00,000
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For 2 Years	5½ Per Annum
„ 1 Year	5 „
„ 6 Months	4½ „
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Bank of Bombay	20,000	500	all	10 p. c.	126)
Bank of Bengal	40,000	00	all	12 pr. ct.	1,240
Bank of Madras	10,000	500	all	8 pr. ct.	1,060
Commercial	10,000	100	100	nil	47
Bank of India.	15,000		75		
EXCHANGE BANKS.					
Agra	1,00,000	25	all	3 pr. ct.	
Charter Bank..	40,000	420	420	10 pr. ct.	420
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation ...	80,000	dol. 125	all	£1-10-0	
National Bank of India ...	40,000	235	£121-2	8 pr. ct.	325

SPINNING AND WEAVING COMPANIES.

				Half yearly.	
Ahmedabad Advantage..	70			000	Nil
Alliance	21,455	1,100	all	all	500
Anglo-Indian ..	1,245	..	0		Nil
Assur Voorjee Mill, Ltd.	In all 2000 Shares on which 1002 have been all lotted.	Rs. 500 each	Fully paid up		Rs. 25 12 1-2 nom
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Bilary Co.W. Co., Ld. (Bilary)	971	60	all		9 per ct. 1,000
Barsi Manfg. Co., Ld	2,750	550,000	200		12 1-2 170
Bombay United	90	1,000	1,000		Nil 300
Bombay Cotton Manfg. Co....	90	500	500	dvd Rs 30	340
Bombay National Manfg. Co., Ld	80	1,00	,000		9
Britannia Mills	1,00	1,000	1,000	1 dit.5.	250
Bombay Woollen Manfg. Co. Ltd	65	1,000	1,000	10 per ct.	1,00
Central India..	1,000	500	500	dvd 12 & 50	1,850xd
China Mills Co. Ld.	800	1,000	1,000	Nil	400
City of Bombay Mills	800	1,000	1,000	Nil	500
Colaba & Connaught Mills	6,000	100	00	9 per ct.	1
Comas Land & Mills	600	500	500		25 600
Coorla Mills ..	4,000	700	...		nil 335
Currimbhoy Mills	80	1,000	1,000		Rs. 25 225
David Mill	1,400	500	500		Nil 265
Dhulia Ginning and Pressing Co. Ld.	400	250	all	dvd Rs 30	260
Dhin Mills	1,000	1,000	1,000		Nil 175
Empress	2,100	500	500		Nil 200
Framjee Petit..	1,250	1,000	1,000		374
Hindustan	875	1,000	1,000		340
Hinguanghat Mills	700	500	500		4. 870
Howard and Bulloughs ...	1,500	500	500		25 450
Hope Mills	600	1,000	1,000		30 350
Hindustan	700	1,000	1,000		30 1,300
Imperial Cotton	900	500	500		Nil 119
Indian Manfg..	1,000	1,000	1,000		Nil 423
India China Manufacturing Co., Ld....	700	1,000	1,000	dvd Rs 50	406
Jacob Greaves.	1,100	500	500	Nil	340
Jaffer Alli	500	500	500	dvd Rs 20	224
Jamshedmanji manufacturing Co	1,800	250	250	dvd 5	105
Jewraj Balloo..	1,000	1,000	1,000	no dvd	330
Jubilee Mills Co., Ld.....	5,430	1,000	1,000	Nil	250
Khandesh	7,500	1,000	1,000	dvd Rs 65	70.
Khatau Manfg. Co....	1,000	250	250		65 500xd
Khatao Makanjee Co....	1,000	1,000	1,000	dvd Rs 20	450
Krishna Mills Ld	1,218	500	—	dvd Rs 33	570
Leopold	5,000	100	108	dvd Rs 10	140
Lord Reay Mfg	415	1,000	1,000	Nil	140
Lakmidas Spinning & Weaving Co.	1,000	1,000	1,000	Nil	325
Madras United	350	1,000	1,000	Rs 100	2,370
Manakjee....	600	1,000	1,000	Nil	75
Manbooh Shal Mills (Burdwan)	8,400	500	500	1 pr. ct.	...
Manockjee Petit	4,000	1,000	1,000	dvd 40	1070
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Amaroti	300	100			Nil 47 1-2
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Nadura Mills..	7,775	100	100		Nil pa 52
National	600	1,000	1,000		Nil 100
New Great Eastern.....	11,400	1,000	1,000		Nil 100
Petit Sorabjee Mills. Co. (Ld).	742	1,	1,000		Nil 325
Queen Mills ..	800	1,000	1,000		Nil 440
Ripon Mills ..	500	1,000	1,000		Nil 660
Rajkot Spinning Mills	1,250	500	500		Nil 450
Sassoon.....	1,500	1,000	1,000	dvd Rs 20	1700
Shahdoni Mills	1,000	1,000	1,000		Nil 350
Soondercbas	750	1,000	1,000		Nil 85
Southern India Spinning and Manufac turing Co.....	500	1,000	1,000		Nil 210
Tata Mills Ld.	1,212	250	250		Nil 1 25
Sun Mills, Ld.	1,300	250	250		Nil 210
Standard Mills Co.....	1,000	500	500		Nil 210
Star of India	1,000	1,000	1,000		Nil 520 xd
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Union Spinning and Manufac turing Co.....	500	1,000	1,000		Nil 210
Union Mills Co.	1,000	1,000	1,000		Nil 250
Venkatesh Lukmidas Spinning Mill Co. Ld..	900	500	500		Nil 410xd
Victoria Mills..	350	1,000	1,000		Nil 2
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Tapti Valley Ry. Co.....	500	100	...	4 pr. ct. 452 1-2

PRESS COMPANIES.

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Albert Ginning Co. (Karachi)	100	500	all	18 pr. ct. 410
Albert (Surrey quay)	200	1,100	1,100	Rs. 80 80-
Bahar	167	1,000	1,000	dv Rs 20 160xd
Bhownagger City Press & Manfg. Co. Ltd.	550	250	250	25 275
Bombay Cotton Brouse Cawnpore Press	1,000	125	125	Nil. 65
Chronicle Co.Ld	500	200	200	dvd Rs 30 305
Bronol City Press Co., Ld	600	200	00	dv Rs 20 300xd
Colaba	500	1,880	1,880	dvd Rs 15 310
East India	350	1,000	1,000	dvd Rs 60 1,240d
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Fort	150	8,300	500	dvd Rs 20 650
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Mofussil	125	400	all	Nil. 395
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New Berar.....	00	500	500	Nil 155
New India	00	125	125	dv Rs 12 300 xd
Prince of Wales Sailor's Home	100	500	00	20
Rastgoftar	500	500	70	30
Sassoon.....	300	500	500	20
Sind and Punjab Co.	100	1,000	1,000	12 03
Sind	400	2,000	750	20 1050
Sorabji Woollen & Silk	200	250	250	Nil.
Stuart C I P Presses, Ld.	87	200	all	1 125
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Arcock And down	1,750	100	100	dv Rs 10	215
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Bombay Burma Trading Corporation..	1,000	3,500	500	dvd 480	1,695
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Bombay Ice Mfg. Co., Ld..	1,250	00	100	6 pr. ct.	96
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John Roberts & Co	1,500	100	100	10 pr. ct.	171
Kamp & Co.	4,000	200	170	21	359
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Napier Hotel Co	2,000	100	1	9 pr. ct.	3)
Napier Foundry	1,000	100	0	...	0)
Oriental Govt. Security Life Insurance Co.	5,000	200	50	Nil	12 xd 30
Phillips & Co. Ld.....	4,000	100	100		30
Port Canning Co.....	6,000	000	100	25	460
Soundy & Co	1,000	100	1,000	5	2xd
Thrasher & Co.	2,000	000		50	950
Thacker & Co..	1,500	100		dvd Rs 8	
Telephone Co...	200	251		14	

PRICES OF BULLION.

Sovereigns	Rs. 15
Napoleons	„ —
Mexican Dollars	„ 69-4
Gold Five-Franc Pieces	„ 7-12
Bar Silver	„ 70-5
Gold Leaf	„ 24-0 Nominal.
Bar Gold, English (.9 touch) ..	„ 24-0
Bar Australian	„ 23 15
Bar Bombay	„ 23 13
Bar Paris	„ 23-10

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.

Three and a-half per cent Reduced ... 99-1
Municipal 5 per cent. Debenture Loans 111
New French Loan 3 per cent. 1872 ... —
City of Paris Loan ..... —
Four per cent. Port Trust Fund 99 1-4

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

LONDON, MAY 10.

2 3-4 per cent. Consols.....£94 1-4 = unchanged.
3 per cent. Rentes.....£101 5-4 = do.
3 1-2 per cent, Sterling Loan .....£108 = do.
3 1-2 per cent Govt. Securities.....£93 5-16 = do.
Bar Silver in London.....27 3-8 = do.
„ New York .....59 5-8 = do.
Exchange on London at Paris...25·16 1-2 = do.
Do New York .....4·87 7-8 = do.
Discount Bank of England.....4 per cent do.
Do Short London Bills...3 7-8 do do.
Do Indian Bank Bills...3 7-8 do do.

Liverpool Cotton Market closed quiet. Surats quiet. Manchester was quiet. Total Sales 7,000 bales. Sold on speculation and for Export 300 bales. Surats 50 bales. Imports 10,000 bales. Spot unchanged. Arrivals closed quiet.

In New York—

Receipts at the Port	7,000 bales.
Do. last year	4,300 „
Exports to Great Britain.....	4,000 „
Do. Continent	4,000 „
Mid.-Uplands.....	8 1-16 unchanged.
Futures, month of Aug.	7·35 = plus 6
Do. Do. Dec.	7·08 = plus 4

Linseed 54 1-2 = plus 3d. Buyers May June, Amsterdam.

Tone firm.

Receipts of Produce into Bombay, during 24 hours ending at 6 p.m. on 16th May :—

Cotton	6,300 bales.
Wheat	4,893 cwts.
Linseed	2,092 „
Rapeseed	51,942 „
Gingellyseed	5,212 „
Poppyseed	10,553 „
Groundnuts	177 „
Castorseed	5,703 „
Rice	8,741 „
Myrabollams	2,202 „

BOMBAY, FRIDAY, MAY 17.

THE week under review has been one of little interest generally. Fresh business in both imports and exports is apparently on a very minute scale, and though shipments are proceeding briskly at the Docks and very large shipments have to be made during the second half of the month, they are all in completion of contracts entered into since September of last year. A very large business has been done in the seed crops now coming to hand, especially in Linseed.

LINSEED.—Prices have varied during the week, the highest price being touched on Saturday last, viz., Rs. 10, annas 4 and the lowest on Wednesday, Rs. 9, annas 9. The decline brought out a good demand and at the close the rate is 9-14 to 9-15 firm.

WHEAT.—In wheat there is absolutely no enquiry for shipment but the demand for the local mills has kept the price steady at Rs. 4-10 for Delhi.

POPPYSEED has been steady with prices varying from Rs. 8-5 down to Rs. 8-2, closing at Rs. 8-7.

CASTORSEED has also been steady at about Rs. 33 1-2 to Rs. 33 3-4.

RAPESEED.—Has been quiet during the week and rates have declined to Rs. 6-7 as. for Brown Cawnpore, Rs. 7-5 as. to Rs. 7-6 as. for Yellow Cawnpore and Rs. 7-12 as. to Rs. 7-14 as. for Yellow Guzerat.

COTTON.—The cotton market has generally been dragging along throughout the week. The enquiry from shippers both for Europe and also Japan and China has been very moderate, while the local mills have made purchases from day to day which have had but little effect on prices. Shipments are proceeding on a moderate scale for this time of the year, while receipts, notwithstanding the small Dhollera crop, are coming in freely. There has been no excitement from Liverpool or New York during the week to relieve the dullness of our local market.

PIECE GOODS.—In Piece Goods there is no change for the better to report. The dealers are all keen sellers of stocks in hand but buyers are not forthcoming, and though there may be some slight desire to operate for fresh shipments the prices offered are too low to tempt Manchester. The usual enquiry before the rains set in to renew stocks up-country has not yet become manifest and it seems doubtful whether local dealers will get rid of their stocks until a good rainfall is assured.

METALS.—The Copper and Yellow Metal Market is quiet owing to no demand and no business is reported during the past week. In Iron a fairly good business has been done, in Corrugated Galvanized sheets for ready delivery and prices are advancing in sympathy with prices at home. Some resales between merchants are reported, but no forward business is taking place. Spelter in dull and in Bar Iron there is little business to report.

COALS.—The Market during the week has been steady but business has been of a retail character. Resales of Bird's navigation have taken place at Rs. 13 Heilger's Standard ex ready steamer has been done at the same rate. A line of Desbagur for the new year was reported at 14 1-8 and ready at 15 1-8. All other descriptions have been neglected. We quote Desbagur ready Rs. 15 1-8 and Jardines Navigation Rs. 19.

EXCHANGE.—The Exchange market has been quiet during the week and as council bills were allotted at Is. 3 29-32d, for bills and Is. 3 31-32d. for Telegraphic Transfers we are again at what seems to be the minimum rates now possible, as the Secretary of State has for some time part refused to allot at lower than these prices. The supply of bills forthcoming during the week has been on a very small scale, and as the easier feeling in the market set in the usual enquiry from the bazaar acrse and Bank Demand was bought up at Is. 4d. for May, and Is. 3 31-32d, for delivery until the end of June. The London Discounts have risen since last Friday, from 3 5-8 per cent. for short London Bills and 6 months' sight Indian Bank Bills to 3 7-8 per cent. At the quoted rate of 1-4 7-32 for three months sight credit no bills were offered for sale and when 1-4 3-16 became available a few bills were placed for May delivery. And later on at 1-4 5-32 for May, June delivery. This is the minimum rate to be expected for 3 m. st. credits unless the Secretary of State gives way in the rate for Council Bills, and the few bills placed is a sign of the times so far as fresh business in exports is now progressing. On the 14th inst., thirty lakhs of gold was received by some of the Exchange Banks from Australia via Colombo. The amount of Council Bills now en route for Bombay is as follows :—

Mail of 3rd inst., from London due in Bombay on 18th inst. 41·40 lakhs.

Mail of 10th inst, from London due in Bombay 24 or 25th inst. 8·30 lakhs.

Mail of 17th inst, from London due in Bombay 31st inst., or 1st prox., 26.00 lakhs.

MONEY.—The arrival of sovereigns from Australia and the abundant supply of Council Bills has eased the money situation during the week. The export season is slowly coming to an end and the block caused by cumbersome holdings of Government paper has been done away with owing to the energetic action of the banks. The rates for deposits and discounts have fallen and the signs of the recent strain on the money market have rapidly disappeared and an all round settled feeling is now prevailing.

GOVERNMENT PAPER.

The market is steady with few fluctuations and a fair business passing during the week. As money is easing off the enquiry for ready paper increases and the difference now between cash and the settlement is one anna only. The tendency is towards higher rates than those lately ruling. On Monday the market opened at Rs. 94 15-16 for the account and gradually it rose to Rs. 95-5 on Tuesday, but on Wednesday again it declined to Rs. 94-14 and it ruled between Rs. 94-14 to 95-2 till Thursday. On Friday the Market opened at Rs. 95-2 and closed at Rs. 95-3 per cent. The Presidency banks have kept their rate of interest unchanged but the local banks are ready to advance money on Paper and like securities at or about 5 to 6 per cent. for short period. Small clean pieces are 4 annas higher than forward.

SHARE MARKET.

The share market is quiet with few fluctuations and limited business. Bank of Bombay shares have changed hands at 1,260. In Press shares Harvey Sabhapatty shares have changed hands at 425, Mofussils at 412 1-2, Indians at 152 1-2, while Berar shares are steady at 540. Tapti Valley shares are quiet at 452 1-2. In miscellaneous companies Marck's and Badham's have changed hands at 140 and 158. Bombay Ice shares have advanced to 56, while Port Cannings and Treacher's are quiet at 460 and 955, respectively. In Mill Shares Davids, have improved to 205, City of Bombay to 500, Kohinoors to 235, China shares are quiet at 390, Currimbhoy's at 500, and Standards at 210. Central's are steady at 1,850 and Swadeshis at 520xd. Petol's after declining to 1,655 have improved to 1,670. Remaining Companies are more or less quiet at the previous quotations,

FREIGHT.

The market was quiet in the early part of the week and some relets were offered at 13s. 9d. Dunkirk May, and at 13s. 6d. Antwerp Dunkirk and Humburg, June. At the close, however, the market is slightly steadier and few relets are now in the market. The Scindia has been berthed for Marseilles and Liverpool at 12s. 6d. to 13s. for May-June. Business has been booked to-day for Antwerp at 14s. and for Dunkirk at 14s. 6d. May loading. For June there are sellers for picked ports at 14s.

EXCHANGE QUOTATIONS.

Bank Telegraphic Transfers..1s. 3 29-32d.
„ Demand ..... 1s. 3 15-16d.
3 months' sight Credits..... 1s. 4 5-32d.
„ Francs..... 199 3-4
30 days' sight Hongkong..... 145 1-2
„ Shanghai 198
„ Japan 147 1-2

ENGLISH BAR SILVER.

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1st Settlement.....	73-12
2nd „	73-12
English Bar Gold Ready	24 1
Mint Gold „	23-10

COTTON QUOTATIONS.

	Good.	Fully Good.	Fine.	
Bengals	130	136	151	25th May
Bilatti	..	148	168	..
Khandelsh	147	152	..	..
Khanagaum	153	162	..	..
Broach M G	191	195	200	..
Bhownagger	168	177	193	..
Western	196	...	...	..
Saw ginned Dharwar.	126	...	...	..
New Crop.				
Bengals	...	159	...	15th Jan. 1902
Broach	197	...	...	25th Mar. 1902

Arrivals of produce in Bombay for week ending 16th May 1901 :—

Cotton	59,357 Bales.
Wheat	58,202 cwts.
Linseed	117,224 „
Rapeseed	222,163 „
Gingellyseed	20,409 „
Poppyseed	48,721 „
Ground nuts	1,0.3 „
Castorseed	49,596 „
Rice	205,921 „
Myrabollams	18,753 „

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL NEWS.

LONDON, MAY 16.

The Liverpool Cotton Market closed quiet. Surats quiet.
Good Broach 3 14-32.
Good Dhollerah 3 11-32.
The Manchester markets has been quiet.

2 3-4 per cent. Consols	94 1-4
3 per cent. Rentes	101 3-4
3 1-2 per cent. Sterling Loan	108
3 1-2 per cent. Rupee Papers	63 5-16
Bar Silver	27 3-8

The Bank of England Returns for the week ending yesterday show the following results :—Total Bullion, £35,200,000 ; Decrease, £300,000 ; Public Deposits, £6,600,000 ; Decrease, £1,100,000 ; Other Deposits, £46,500,000 ; Increase, £3,800,000 ; Other Securities, £34,000,000 ; Increase, £3,000,000 ; Notes and Gold, £23,300,000 ; Decrease, £200,000. The Banks Reserve is 44 per cent. of the Liabilities.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

ADEN, MAY 16.

The B. I. S. N. Co's steamer s. s. Rewa, left this evening.

SUEZ, MAY, 16.

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BOMBAY YARN IN CHINA.

Messrs. Framjee Hormusjee and Co's Cotton Circular dated Hong Kong April 23 says :—The market has been under the influence of a good demand during the past fortnight, and as both sellers and buyers evinced an easy attitude, the former knocking down their high pretensions and the later their exacting policy, the volume of business that has transpired has been very much above the average, and some 11,000 bales "spot" and "near futures" have been placed in the market more or less at previous rates, and in some cases of approved Spinnings, felt to be temporarily scarce, at a rise of dol.1-2 to dol.1. Almost all counts have had their due share of attention, and, if anything there would have been more inquiry for No. 20, had this count been more in evidence on spot than is has been. Exchange in correspondence to the rise and fall of silver, has been fluctuating during the, period, but the fluctuation did not very materially affect value ; only a fall in exchange ushered in a quiet interval on holders looking for higher rates, those ruling now appear to be well fulfilling the requirements of the country markets which are being replenished at the present level, and possibly, higher figures may interfere with the continuance of what is now considered a well sustained demand, Sales comprise about,

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1,100 „ „ 16	„ 89 „	98 „	99 „	101

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Hymns—147, 300 and 118.
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Hymns—202, 536 and 144.
8 a.m.—Missa Cantata., Merbecke.
Hymns—316, 315 and 324.
6 p.m.—Choral, Evensong and Sermon.
Hymns—149, 151 and 301.

WESLEYAN CHURCH.

(Colaba Causeway.)

8 a.m.—Parade Service.
6 p.m.—Preacher, Rev. F. Wood.

(Wesleyan Church, Victoria Gardens, Byculla.)

9 a.m.—Preacher, Rev. F. R. Atkins.
6 p.m.—Preacher Rev. F. R. Atkins.

MISSION CHURCH, GIRGAUM.

11 a.m.—Morning Prayer and Sermon by Rev. H. McNeile
6 p.m.—Evening Prayer, Holy Communion and Sermon by Rev. H. McNeile.

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Psalm—100 tune 26.
Hymns—71 1st tune, 65 2nd tune and 279.
4-30 p.m.—Sunday School.
6 p.m.—Evening Service,
Psalm—68 v. 1-20 tune 131.
Hymns—64 2nd tune, 66 2nd tune, 70, and 289 2nd tune.
Collection for Church expenses.

CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN, PAREL.

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8 a.m.—Celebration of the Holy Eucharist,
8-30 a.m.—Matins.
Hymns—27 and 150.
5-30 p.m.—Sunday School.
6-30 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon.
Hymns.—147, 301 and 193.

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, MALABAR HILL.

7-30 a.m.—Matins.
8 a.m.—Holy Communion.
6 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, MAZAGON.

6-30 a.m.—Matins.
7 a.m.—Holy Eucharist, choral.
6 p.m.—Evensong, choral, Preacher Rev. Fr. Nicholson.
Alms for Church expenses.

SAINT STEPHEN'S CHURCH, BANDRA.

11 a.m.—Matins, Sermon and Celebration of the Holy Eucharist.

THE CITY MORTALITY.

THE Municipal Office returns for the twenty-four hours ending at 6 a.m., yesterday, give the following results:—

Wards.	Plague. Attacks.	Deaths.	Deaths from all Causes.
A Upper, Middle and Lower Colaba, Fort Northern, Fort Southern and Esplanade	3	1	15
B Mandvi, Cumballa Hill, Khetwadi and Dongri	1	3	37
C Market, Dhobi Talao, Parsewady, Bhuleshwar, Khara Talao and Kumbharwada	29	7	32
D Khetwadi, Girgaum, Chowpati, Walkeshwar and Malabar Hill	5	5	13
E Mazagon, Tarwady, Zed Nagpada, Kamadipura, Tardeo, Byculla and Ist Nagpada	1	3	33
F Parel, Sewree and [illegible]	10	3	16
G Mahim and Worli	0	0	10
Water Division	0	0	0
Non-Resident and Unknown	0	0	0
Hospitals	0	2	17
Total	55	30	167
Total plague deaths to date	95,614	79,835	
Same date last year	60	45	228

BANDRA.

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THE Hall Line s s Eden Hall, 2,332 tons, Captain F Curt's, will sail to-day, for Karachi, with the same bottom cargo.

THE Austrian Lloyd S N Co's s s Reelnz, 1,601 tons, Captain A Antich, sailed yesterday for Calcutta via Colombo, with the same bottom cargo.

THE Japan Mail Steamship Co's s s Kago hima Maru, 2,731 tons, Captain K Kowrie, arrived in harbour yesterday, from Yokohama, with a general cargo, and 2 cabin and 6 deck passengers.

THE Bombay and Persia S N Co's s s King Arthur, 1,047 tons, Captain J W Bennett, arrived in harbour yesterday from the Persian Gulf, with a general cargo and Mr M Meyers, Mr Hajee Shaik Mahomed and 8 deck passengers.

THE Florio-Rubattino S N Co's s s Bormida, 1,199 tons, Captain D Costa, sailed yesterday, for Hongkong, with a general cargo and the following passengers:—Mr Hajee Ebrahim, Mr M Paps, Mr Asing and 2 children, Mr and Mrs R de Albertis and 45 deck.

THE B I S N Co's s s Coindwara, 1,592 tons, Captain G A Shepherd, arrived in harbour yesterday, from Moulmein, 1st May, with a cargo of timber and rice. During the voyage she experienced fresh monsoon weather in the Bay and fine weather on the Malabar coast.

THE B I S N Co's s s Kilwa, 993 tons, Captain T M Whitehead, which arrived in harbour on Thursday from the Persian Gulf via Karachi with a general cargo and passengers, experienced during the voyage strong west wind and high seas, from Karachi to Diu Head, thence fine weather with a slight swell.

VESSELS IN THE HARBOUR.—MAY 17.

MEN-OF-WAR AND ROYAL INDIAN MARINE SHIPS.

H M S Magdala.....Capt T Y Greet, R N...Turret-ship
a Torpedo Boat No 100..Lt Comdr J C S Hughes, R N.....
a Do No 102..Lt Comdr W R C Petre, R N.....
a Do No 103..Lt Comdr W P Kee, R N.....
Dalhousie.....Comdr A J Piffard, R I M., Dry Dock ...Indian Marine

INDIAN DEFENCE RESERVE.

H M S Abyssinia.....Turret-ship
Plassey.....Torpedo G'boat
4 Torpedo Boats.....
Penascorim.....(Receiving Hulk for Crews of Defence ships except Assaye.

IN DOCKYARD BASIN.

Investigator.....Comdr T H Heming, R N.....R I M Surveying Ship
Clive.....Indian Marine
Nancowry.....Indian Marine
a Indian Defence Ships.

Vessel.	Ton.	Capt.	Destination.	Date.	Agent
Persipolis	800	Ibrahim			Persian Gunboat
Shandon	2967	Anstey			W & A G & Co
Endeavour	1762	Brickson			A Montechoff
Patna	1151	Walkey			M M & Co
Agnes	1503	Edwards			W & A G & Co
Escenada	999	Morris			Bombay Co
Marte	2399	de Lacuende			M M & Co
Commilla	850	Howlden			M M & Co
Oolobaria	3429	Gray			M M & Co
Sunda	2887	Dowell			P & O Co
Rajput	3815	Crebbin			T M & Co
Afton	2892	Robertson			M M & Co
Lawada	2291	J M Tyrell			M M & Co
Chindwara	1552	Shepherd			M M & Co
Kilwa	993	Whitehead			M M & Co
Booldana	2147	Brooks			M M & Co

VESSELS IN DOCKS.—MAY 17.

PRINCE'S DOCK.

Shed.	Vessel.	Ton.	Capt.	Destination.	Date.	Agent
A	Annie	2445	Peaman	Dunkirk	24-5	T M & Co
B	Hoogaineo	994	Hughes	Jedda	20-5	B & P S N Co
C	Bullmouth	2807	Stratton	Genova	W & A G & Co
G	Mahinari	1110	Soutor	Mauritius	20-5	B & P S N Co
H	Comeric	2593	Kennedy	Antwerp	25-5	T M & Co
P	Saint Oswald	1735	Tindall	Antwerp	25-5	T M & Co
Q	Fondo	1764	Brewis	Hamburg	26-5	K N & Co

HARBOUR WALL.

Baladuri	329	Brewis	Karachi	18-5	Shepd & Co
Courland	992	Miller	Marmagoa	17-5	do

VICTORIA DOCK.

Shed.	Vessel.	Ton.	Capt.	Destination.	Date.	Agent
3	Kagoshima Maru	2729		China	25-5	N Y Kaisha
1	Barcadia	1500	Coats	Hongkong	17-5	C Rosetano
6	Chusan	2852	Daniel	China	22-5	P & O Co
7	Recina	1064	Auld	Calcutta	17-5	A L S S Co
9	Eden Hall	2332	Curds	Karachi	18-5	K N & Co
10	Tabaristan	2301	Saunders	London	18-5	J M & Co
12	Peninsular	3017	Leach	London	18-5	P & O Co
14	Kola	497	Tice	Karachi	18-5	M M & Co
15	Gorjistan	2032	Wall			J M & Co
16	Esmeralda	673	Pederson	Melbourne	22-5	O & Okell

MERWETHER DRY DOCK.

Unity	929	Hansen	Rangoon		Bombay Co

* Probable date of departure.

ARRIVALS.

May.	Vessel.	Commander.	From.
16	Lawada s	Tyrrell	Mauritius, April 9
17	Chindwara s	Shepherd	Moulmein, May 1
	Kagoshima Maru s	Kowrie	Yokohama, April 13
	King Arthur s	Bennett	Busreh, May 4

DEPARTURES.

May.	Vessel.	Commander.	Destination.
17	Yarrowdale s	Murray	Antwerp
	Bombay s	Monat	Marseilles
	Recima s	Antioh	Calcutta, &c
	Formida s	Costa	Hongkong

The following vessels obtained their port clearances yesterday:—

Steamer Oolobaris, Gray for Calcutta
" Eden Hall, Curtis for Karachi.

The following vessels entered for loading yesterday:—

Steamer Chindwara, for Mauritius via Karachi.
" Kilwa, for Persian Gulf.
" King Arthur, for Persian Gulf.

DAILY IMPORTS.—MAY 17.

FROM GLASGOW.

Australia s—33 cases whisky, H S Smith and Co.
Clan Macleod s—19 cases whisky, Chas Phillimore and Co.
St Oswald s—258 cases whisky, rum and gingerwine, D Dadaboy: 1 cask whisky, Alex Mckenzie and Sons: 55 cases whisky, D Cowasjee.

FROM LONDON.

Arabia s—100 cases gin and 15 cases brandy, Phipson and Co; 3 cases medicine, Madon Sons and Co.

FROM BORDEAUX.

Arabia s—35 cases brandy, Phipson and Co.
D Baldino s—250 cases brandy, D Cowasjee.

FROM CHARANTE.

Arabia s—6 cases brandy, D Cowasjee.

FROM ANTWERP.

Gutenfels s—10 cases gin, Chas Phillimore and Co,

DAILY EXPORTS.—MAY 17.

FOR LIVERPOOL.

Comeric s—60 bales wool, Jadhowjee Karra; 22 bales goat hair, M J Joomabhoy; 40 bales wool, Sharif Nathoobhoy; 53 bales wool, David Sassoon and Co; 3,640 cwt cottonseed, B Shripal.

FOR LONDON.

Tabaristan s—230 cwt myrabollams, Canjee Parbat; 156 cwt turmeric, A E Motiwalla; 1 bales hemp, Edjee Domersey

FOR ANTWERP.

Comeric s—126 bales cotton fly and 73 bales cotton, H E Bode and Sons; 2,000 cwt rapeseed, Mejjee Vulubdas.
St Oswald s—2,000 cwt linseed, David Sassoon and Co; 500 cwt myrabollams, Canjee Parbat; 120 cwt poppyseed and 1,805 cwt rapeseed, Vulkart Brothers; 160 bales cotton, Gaddum and Co; 1,000 cwt rapeseed, Mejjee Vulubdas.

FOR HAMBURG.

Pondo s—100 bales cotton fly, Isaac Wright and Co; 1,000 cwt linseed and 1,000 cwt poppyseed, Ritchie Steuart and Co; 172 bales cotton, Gibb Brooks, Tejpal and Co; 72 cwt gum, Hajee Khhanoo Moosa; 220 bales cotton, Gaddum and Co.

FOR DUNKIRK.

Annie s—2,001 cwt gingellyseed, A Blascheck and Co.

FOR GENOA.

Bullmouth s—200 bales cotton, Walter Pavri and Co; 200 cwt myrabollams, Vulkart Brothers.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER ARTILLERY.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY CAPTAIN F. L. SPROTT, COMMANDING B. V. A.

Bombay, 18th May 1901.

1. The following member having resigned has been struck off the strength of the Corps from this date.—Corpl A G Warburton.

By Order,
C. STODDART, Capt., R. A.,
Adjutant, B. V. A.

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(Compiled for despatch by the Weekly Mail to Europe.)

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[THE CHARGE FOR NOTIFYING A DOMESTIC OCCURRENCE IS TWO RUPEES. THE ANNOUNCEMENT MUST BE AUTHENTICATED.]

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BIRTH.

ROOKE—May 8, at Dalhousie, the wife of Captain B. H. Rooke, R. E., of a son.

DEATH.

LAWRIE—May 7, at Sahebganj, E. I. R. Peter Graeme, only son of Mr and Mrs Kenneth Lawrie, aged 5 weeks.

KEMP'S LIST.

COMPLEXION PILULES.

Prepared from a special recipe, and guaranteed to contain nothing of an injurious nature.

For those who suffer from pimples, boils, &c., they will be found most efficacious, speedily restoring the skin to its original smoothness.

12 As. per Bottle of 72 Pilules.

Dose: One three times a day.

KEMP & Co., Ld.,

BOMBAY.

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The Bombay Gazette

SATURDAY, MAY 18, 1901.

SPORT IN MADRAS.

MR. J. D. REES, C. I. E., in his paper on "the Southern Satrapy" the other day, had something to say of it from a sportsman's point of view Though one may easily spend a life in this country and never light on either a tiger or a snake, Mr. Rees owned that no address on any part of India would be complete without reference to its wild beasts. India is popularly supposed to swarm with wild beasts, and certainly there are plenty if the sportsman goes to the right place for them. But the keen shikari retains the services of a man to give him "khubber" of anything worth shooting at, whether it be snipe or tiger, and swears him to secrecy to reveal the locality to none other. In Madras, Mr. Rees observes with regret the days of big game shooting are numbered, but for general sport, better shooting can be got in Madras than in any other part of the Indian Empire. He has seen antelope bounding away from the train in Kurnool. ibex disturbed upon their precipices by road-making on the Travancore hills, elephants charging two sportsmen in a little tree and passing like a whirlwind over their camp in the Western Ghauts, tigers taking afternoon walks on the Nilgiris, bison grazing upon the high lawns of Cochin, and bears blundering about the forests of the Northern Circars. One could not wish for more in a picture-book. Yet Mr. Rees has seen them all with the naked eye and let them pass on undisturbed. These are the procession a sportsman usually sees, when he goes out without a gun. Mr. Rees used to shoot with bullets that had been blessed by a yogi, but he never got more than a few decent heads, being a protector of wild beasts not a destroyer. Other men have carried a gun for weeks, prepared to pot at anything animate and have not even seen the tail of a tiger anbouly met with bison in their dreams. Mr. Rees lived next door to a tiger, whose movements he learnt from the birds and monkeys in the trees. Thus unfairly treated is the sportsman who has bought whole herds of young buffaloes to tie up as bait. Once he met a black panther on a very narrow gallery of rock from which he politely leapt to make room for Mr. Rees. Mr. Rees did not kill him, and, though we are not surprised to find him plead for birds of brilliant plumage and even for the bison, we must confess to reading with some astonishment that he has accepted a brief for the tiger. "The indiscriminate offer of rewards for killing this beautiful animal should be withdrawn," he says, "and the fact should be recognised that he is the firmest friend of the agriculturist." Just as witnesses have been divided into liars, adjectived liars, and scientific experts, be argues, so tigers may conveniently be classified as deer-stalkers, cattle lifters, and man-eaters. The majority fall under the first subdivision and keep down the herds of deer, who are the Indian farmer's greatest foes upon the margin of cultivation, where alone tigers now operate. The second class are no doubt troublesome, but the villagers require no stimulus for the destruction of such members thereof as declare war, who, indeed, generally select the feebler and less valuable heads of cattle. The third class should be destroyed, and in their case the offer of a reward is fair enough, but very few tigers fall within it, and those who do are of such a crafty and malevolent disposition that the amateur sportsman finds it very difficult to earn the blood-money. But if the agriculturist were shown that his greatest foe upon the margin of cultivation has a market value he would learn how to trap him and if the tiger be kept down, the antelope would flourish and be turned to good account. The tiger may have the redeeming virtues Mr. Rees endows him with but he is preferable as a hearth-rug than as a neighbour. Of course, Mr. Rees did not give his hearers any hint as to where the abundance of game of which he speaks may be found. To have done so would have been to display a disinterested magnanimity which is never to be found in the true sportsman and those who go to Madras and fail to find game may console themselves with the reflection that they took the wrong turn in the jungle.

Madras is the home of snake stories and those told by Mr. Rees cannot be surpassed in picturesqueness of detail even by those from the Far West. Rattlesnakes and boa-constrictors are favourites in America. In India we boast of cobras and pythons. Mr. Rees claims an intimate acquaintance only with python. He sat one morning in the forest when it looked and felt like a mysterious temple of the dawn, and the cool bright white early sunshine piercing the green bower above by infrequent shafts turned all the dewdrops of the cobwebs into diamonds. It is not on slaughter the mind runs at such a moment in such scenes, as sitting motionless upon the fern floor, the intruder becomes instinct with the spirit of his surroundings. But on this occasion in some inexplicable and mysterious manner a herd of bison grew into the foreground, and he was loath to disturb these glorious beasts enjoying their birthright in scenes of which man seems hardly worthy. Long while he watched their movements and admired the symmetry of their vast yet perfectly proportioned forms. At last a big bull offered a shot and though thrilling with all these beautiful impulses the spirit of the destroyer entered into him. A bullet was almost bound to catch the bison through the head and kill him dead on the spot, or to bury itself in the stem of a gigantic cotton tree not less than 150 feet high. Mr. Rees fired, little caring whether he hit the bison or the tree, we suppose, and in a moment there was a crash like the sound of a falling world. The spell was broken, the temple was profaned, the eight bore rifle weighed no more than a toothpick, (we don't know why) and he rushed towards the tree. The bull was not there, and then the sound of a splash followed as if the falling world had fallen into the water. He turned and raced towards the stupendous splash. The herd of twenty bison had plunged into a deep river brimming from bank to bank in the recesses of the forest, and as he rushed to the edge while the last cow disappeared on the other side, he tripped over something, staggered forward, and seeing a python slowly uncoiling its folds beneath his legs, discharged a two oz. bullet into its writhing coils. By clutching the branch of a bush he was saved from falling into the stream, and when he recovered his self-possession he regretted the murder of the innocent, though loathly worm. Perhaps there is nothing extraordinary about this incident, he admits, when the tale is told, and perhaps there is not except an unnecessary stirring of one's desire for blood. Certainly, he says, there was neither straight shooting nor danger, but he can never forget the solemn silence followed by the crash and splash of a world falling in the water. It was only a herd of bison not long ago, now it is the world. To fall over the father of all the snakes was merely an additional, but an undeniably picturesque and unusual detail, he pleads, and we can quite agree with him, for people who can see bison grow up in herd, turn into worlds and suddenly disappear down stream can usually also see snakes.

SETTLERS IN SOUTH AFRICA.

It is a singular fact that though according to the general computation of the population in South Africa before the war, the Dutch outnumbered the English by no more than 50,000, yet the country as a whole proved actively hostile to the British all through the campaign. This Mr. Basil Worsfold in the "Cornhill" attributes to the fact that "the Dutch population is to be found spread over Karoo, veldt and uplands, while the British is concentrated at the ports or on the mines. As the result of this distribution the Dutch have obtained a grip of the country far firmer than their mere numbers would warrant." Then inevitably follows the difference in tastes of the countryman and the townsman widening the cleavage. Even the countless inter-marriages that have taken place have little altered the broad fact that the English cling to the towns and the Dutch to the land. The Dutch non-combatants scattered everywhere were everywhere able during the war to render assistance to their countrymen and add to the difficulties of the British Army. "The Dutch population," says the writer, "owing to their grip of the land, are worth much more, man for man, than the British, alike in respect of the rifle and the ballot-box." This is the reason, and it is a good one, that he suggests an English agricultural immigration as a remedy. It will bring a loyal majority in its train, for it is loss of time and shows a want of common sense to believe that this can be found anywhere but in a British majority. A wisely directed immigration should bring about a friendly mingling of the two nationalities. Clerks, mechanics and miners there are in abundance and more will follow, but they do not settle among the farmers.

South Africa is in many ways very different now to what it was in 1820-27, during the term of the Albany settlement. There are several lines of railway, there are mining centres as well as large ports and towns which will absorb the agricultural produce. If the prospect be made sufficiently tempting to them, there can be no doubt that the suggestion of importing two thousand yeomen farmers into South Africa would bring some support to the English already settled there. Mr. Worsfold's ingenious scheme for making the Transvaal and the Orange River Colony loyal in theory and practice aims at no less than the planting of a considerable number of sturdy loyalists about the country on allotments. Of these 4,000 would be military settlers, and 2,000 yeomen. The employment of the former would reduce the number and cost of the police which must be maintained if we are to keep the Colonies; the yeomen would help to leaven the mass of Dutch farmers, occupying holdings side by side with them. Mr. Worsfold works out the scheme to its bitter financial end, and suggests at the same time the numerous advantages that can be derived from it. We will face the cost first, and this we are told would be twelve millions sterling. It sounds little enough to pay for a permanent settlement of the Colonies, fighting with which have so far cost at least eight times as much. But looked at in the light of an additional demand on the patient British taxpayer it is by no means a small sum. The suggestion is made that the gold industry of the country should indirectly bear the cost. The Home Government might lead its credit, provide the settlers or most of them, and the Colonial administration could borrow the funds on an Imperial guarantee, the colonies paying up £480,000 annually to liquidate the debt. The twelve millions would be spent in this wise: Three millions on purchasing suitable districts from the present owners, in projecting irrigation works—for a steady water supply is the great need in the Orange River Colony and the Transvaal—in providing the settlers with seeds and implements, and in paying each man a yearly salary of fifty pounds for which he would be liable to military service, keep a horse, and be ready generally to take the field.

The yeoman farmers whom it is proposed should lend a hand in the amalgamation of the two nationalities would be only half the number of the military settlers. They would require pretty large farms, about 4,000 acres each. The Albany Settlement of 1820 made, we are reminded the grave mistake of allotting to each family or adult male, one hundred acres only, a totally inadequate farm in the soil and climate of South Africa. A Boer, we are told, would hardly look at a farm under 6,000 acres, and would pay for the measurement of nothing less than 4,000. Therefore, in planning to settle yeomen farmers in the country, the extent of each holding is placed at the latter figure. When the war is over, there will be many farms in the market, and it is calculated that good land will change hands at seven shillings and sixpence an acre. Thus the buying up of so much land for 2,000 settlers, stocking it with sheep, cattle, a waggon and oxen, will cost eight millions. The settler would, however, be expected to pay annually for these benefits about £160 a year, thus returning 4 per cent. on the capital advanced, with the great advantage that he eventually becomes owner of his farm. The scheme as put by Mr. Worsfold reads well. He thinks that even if the taxation necessary for this proposed loan were to fall exclusively on the gold industry, the shareholders need not complain. He slily hints that under the Boer Government the Randt industries lost directly between two and two and-a-half millions. Of this in hard cash there was one million to the Netherlands Railway for excess

TELEGRAMS.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

THE OBSERVANCE OF THE KING'S BIRTHDAY.

LONDON, MAY 16.

His Majesty the King has notified that his birthday will be observed on the 24th May yearly.

MR. BRODRICK'S ARMY SCHEME.

THE SKELETON ONLY.

The debate in the House of Commons on the Army Scheme was resumed to-night.

Mr. Brodrick said he approached the Army organisation without doubt or hesitation, because he was fortified with the best military advice. The proposals, he said, were only the skeleton which Government intended to clothe with flesh and blood.

He urged the House to support the Government in giving the country a permanent military organisation.

MR. BRODRICK'S RESOLUTION ADOPTED

LONDON, MAY 17.

Mr. Brodricks' Resolution approving the military proposals of the Government was then adopted by 305 against 163 votes.

Mr. Balfour in arguing the necessity and demonstrating the hopelessness and possibility of a descent upon England mentioned the moment at the end of 1899, when there were only 3,300 rounds of rifle ammunition in England and no reserves of Artillery ammunition.

REJECTION OF SIR H. CAMPBELL BANNERMAN'S AMENDMENT.

In the House of Commons last night Sir H. Campbell Bannerman's Amendment "that Mr. Brodrick's military proposals were not adapted to the wants of the Empire and that any undue increase of our armaments might be provocative" was rejected by 327 against 211 votes.

ANOTHER EXPEDITION BY THE ALLIES IN CHINA.

A telegram from Peking to the "Times" says that the departure of the French troops has been countermanded.

The Germans do not indicate any intention of evacuating Chihli and have invited the co-operation of the Allies in a fresh expedition.

THE MAILS.

LONDON, MAY 16.

The Bombay Mails of the 4th instant arrived at Brindisi to-day.

RAILWAY DEVELOPMENTS IN INDIA.

NEW WORK.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, MAY 16.

Orders were issued last month for the commencement of the construction of the following railways:—Azimgarh-Shahganj extension of the Bengal and North-Western Railway, the Tadwala extension of the Barsi Light Railway and the Dadwa branch extension of the Lucknow-Bareilly Railway.

The construction also is sanctioned by the Secretary of State of the Madura Light Railway and its branches.

Additions aggregating 291 miles were made last month to the total length of open railways in India. Sections of line opened were from Teesta to Moghalhat and from Kaurla to Teesta both on the Eastern Bengal State Railway, from Lanka to Nazir on the Assam Bengal railway, from Ludhiana to Jakhal on the Ludhiana-Dhuri-Jakhal railway and from Amalner to Jalgaon on the Great Indian Peninsula Railway. The Ganges bridge at Garhmuktesar on the Ghaziabad-Moradabad railway also was opened.

THE FAMINE.

INCREASED NUMBERS ON RELIEF.

Labourers thrown out of employment by the completion of harvest are beginning to crowd to Government relief works in the famine area, the Bombay Presidency this week returning an increase of thirty thousand in the numbers afforded assistance. Increases also are reported of four thousand in the native states out of Bombay—one thousand in Hyderabad territory, and 559 in Baroda. The total number under relief throughout India now amounts to 418,046.

THE USE OF CONSECRATED CURCHES.

A resolution in the "Gazette" announces that in supersession of the existing rule that a Chaplain or Minister desiring to obtain the use of a Consecrated Church shall first address the General Officer Commanding the District or the Lieut.-General of the Command, simultaneously informing the Church of England Chaplain that such application has been made. The Military authorities will for the future address the Bishop of the Diocese. The Bishop of Madras or Bombay, whichever has been first consecrated, is nominated to act during the absence of the Metropolitan in the matter of functions devolving upon the latter, under the rules relating to the loan of Churches.

GAZETTE OF INDIA NOTIFICATIONS

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

Captain Holloway, 2nd Madras Lancers, is confirmed as Assistant Secretary, Military Department.

Second Lieutenants Balderston, Pike, Benett, Rae, Howell, Home, Reed, Scott, Bailey, Smeaton, Cochran, Gwyer, Cordan, Davis, Boulton, Wheeler, Chambers, Marsden, Royall, Burrowes, and Black are admitted to the Staff Corps.

Lieutenant R. W. Hodges is gazetted to the reserve infantry officers.

Second Lieutenants Robinson, Torrie, Wyatt Robertson, Glasgow, Mayne, Glynton and Newcombe are gazetted Lieutenants.

The increase of ten appointments in the first class and twenty in the second class is notified in the present establishment of the Order of British India. Also the amalgamation into one list for all India of the separate Provincial lists hitherto maintained, vacancies in the future to be filled by the selection of the most deserving Native Officer without reference to the particular Command or Corps to which he may belong.

MARINE DEPARTMENT.

Chief Engineer W. Newman retires on the 8th proximo.

FORT GARNETT AT KOHAT.

The northern wall of Fort Carnett at Kohat Pass road fell down on the 5th instant, owing to the excessive rain and wind, smashing the barracks and killing one, and injuring two sepoys of the Kohat Border Police.

THE TROOPSHIP HARDINGE.

The s. s. Hardinge sails at the end of May for home.

The troopship Hardinge takes Home the Depots of the 16th Lancers and 10th Hussars.

RETURN OF THE 1ST BENGAL LANCERS.

The 1st Bengal Lancers left Hongkong for India on the 15th instant.

THE SERVICES.

Lieut.-Col. Penrose, Deoli Irregular Force, has been granted six months' extension of leave at home.

ARRIVAL OF THE UGANDA RIFLES.

THE B. I. S. N. Co.'s s s Lawada, 2,174 tons, Captain J. M. Tyrrell, which arrived in harbour on Thursday evening from Mauritius via Mombasa, has brought from the latter port the relieved Indian contingent of the Uganda Rifles. The contingent comprises 3 British officers, 5 native officers, 2 Hospital Assistants, 295 non-commissioned officers and men and 34 followers; Captain W. W. Chitty, is in command, assisted by Lieutenant F. S. Keene, and Surgeon-Captain Haig is in Medical charge. When the Contingent left Bombay on the 10th May 1898, the number was as follows:—10 native officers, including Hospital Assistants, 379 non-commissioned officers and men and 42 followers. During the period that they were at Uganda, there were 26 casualties, amongst the men; 11 men were discharged and joined the new contingent, and about 50 men were invalided to India. The Lawada entered the Prince's Dock where the men were disembarked and thence marched to Marine Lines, where camp has been pitched for their accommodation on the regimental parade ground of the 21st Bombay Infantry. It is not known when they will be sent up to their destination. Lawada has also brought a cargo of sugar and the following passengers:—Mr. and Mrs. Dwyer and 4 children, Mr. Byrne, and 49 deck. During the voyage a native soldier died of fever, on the 15th instant, and was buried at sea.

BOMBAY COMMAND ORDERS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

POONA, MAY 17.

The Lieutenant-General Commanding the Forces is pleased to make the following appointments on his personal staff:—

Major Pinney, Royal Fusiliers, Deputy Assistant Adjutant General, Quetta District, to officiate as Assistant Military Secretary and Aide-de-Camp vice Major Stanton proceeding on leave to England.

The Lieutenant-General Commanding the Forces is pleased to make the following appointments:—

19th Bombay Infantry—2nd Lieutenant Majoribanks, Unattached List, to be officiating Double Company Officer.

25th Bombay Rifles.—2nd Lieutenant Giles, Unattached List to be officiating Double Company Officer.

29th Bombay Infantry—2nd Lieutenant Dalyell, Unattached List to be officiating Double Company Officer.

The undermentioned officers are qualified for promotion to the rank of Lieutenant:—

2nd Battalion Royal Irish Regiment—2nd Lieutenants Kemmis, Fitzgerald and Lloyd.

The undermentioned are reported to have passed the required examinations in the following languages:—

Urdu Higher Standard—Captain Leslie, Royal Engineers, Lieutenant Gilles, 5th Bombay Cavalry, Lieutenant Smith, 5th Bombay Light Infantry, and 2nd Lieutenant Glynton, 21st Bombay Infantry.

Urdu Lower Standard—Captain Marriott, Royal Army Medical Corps, 2nd-Lieutenant Reinhold, Unattached List, attached to the 1st Battalion West Yorkshire Regiment 2nd-Lieutenant Petters, 10th Bengal Lancers,

Indian Medical Service—Lieutenants Houston, Stephen, Lawson, Alexander, Royal Garrison Artillery, and Lieutenant Birney, Royal Engineers.

Persian High Proficiency.—Lieutenant Menzies, 10th Bombay Light Infantry.

The undermentioned officers have been permitted by His Majesty's Secretary of State to return to duty: Major Whyte, 16th Bombay Infantry, Major Mosse, 20th Bombay Infantry, Captain Thompson, 28th Bombay Pioneers.

The undermentioned Officers are granted leave to proceed out of India on private affairs:—

Captain Houison, Staff Corps, Deputy Assistant Adjutant General, Bombay, Deputy Assistant Quarter Master General, 2nd Brigade, British Contingent China Expeditionary Forces for 6 months; Lockhart Mure, Staff Corps, Squadron Commander, 4th Bombay Cavalry for one year.

The undermentioned officers are granted leave to proceed out of India on medical certificate:—

Captain McGordon, Staff Corps, Commandant Aden troops, for 6 months.

The undermentioned Officers and Warant Officers have leave of absence:—

20th Hussars—Lieutenant Dunbar, 4 months on medical certificate out of India.

Oxfordshire Light Infantry, 2nd Battalion.—Quartermaster and Hon'ble Lieutenant King, for 12 months on medical certificate out of India, in extension.

Indian Staff Corps, Commissariat Department—Colonel Barkley for 6 months on private affairs granted by the Secretary of State.

Military Works Service—Sub-Conductor Haycock for 3 months on medical certificate granted by the Secretary of State.

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

SIMLA, MAY 17.

Captain Hicks, 1st Shropshire Light Infantry, retires on the 11th proximo.

The death on the 5th May from accident at Tientsin, China, of 91445 Gunner Smith, B. Battery Royal Horse Artillery is reported by General Gaselee.

The principal civil and military authorities in India have been informed by circular letter that no distribution of honours will take place until November 9th, which is the birthday of His Majesty the King Emperor.

A change has been ordered in the distribution of troops in the Quetta District. Hitherto a battalion of Native Infantry has been stationed at Peshin, with detachments at Shelabagh and Sibi. The regiment will now be withdrawn to Quetta, 25 men only being left as a guard for the treasury at Peshin.

It is notified that the General Officer Commanding the Punjab Frontier Force will in future be officially styled in the Army List as "Commanding the Punjab Frontier Force and Frontier District," but that in correspondence he will sign and be addressed as "Commanding Punjab Frontier District."

All the horse and field batteries in India have still to be fitted with the spadebrake, non-recoil gear, and sights and ranges. The cost of the materials to be supplied from England for these purposes amounts to £1,800, and an indent for this amount has been sent to the India Office. The full expenditure will, of course, amount to several lakhs of rupees, but it is necessary to obtain certain materials from home before the work is undertaken. The delay which has occurred already is due to the Ordnance authorities in England not sending out specifications of their sealed pattern gear and boxes. Thir action or rather inaction, is on par with their behaviour, regarding the supply of 303 rifles.

One battalion of the Samana Rifle Corps, which is eventually intended to take over the various positions on the Samana Range and relieve the regular troops stationed there, is now in working order. One company has been placed in the small posts of Dhar and Sangar: it was inspected by the local military authorities before the posts were handed over, and was declared to be quite efficient. It is creditable to the battalion that it is practically up to strength, considering the many difficulties that have had to be overcome. Not the least of these was connected with recruiting. In the first instance the men knew that Corps like the Kurram Militia and the Khyber Rifles were receiving from eight to nine rupees per month, or considerably more than they themselves were offered. Again, recruiting parties for the Army frequently passed through Hangu, where the battalion is located, and the tribesmen were naturally attracted by the superior prospects of military services. As the strength is only 476 of all ranks, it is impossible to grant the same privileges in respect of leave and furlough as are given in the Army. This was certainly one of the reasons which caused recruits to hold back, as they knew that they would have to serve with not more than one month's leave in the year. The battalion passed the last hot weather under canvas, an experience that was especially trying to the two Orakzai Companies, the sepoys in which are not inured to the heat as men of the Punjab plains are. The Government have, however, now sanctioned the erection of huts, as the Samana forts are not to be taken over until the new railway has reached Hangu. We referred some days ago to the effect which the cholera epidemic at Kohat last year had upon the men of the Samana Rifles; but it should in justice now be said that the corps is steadily growing in efficiency, and, so far as can be judged, it will in the end fulfil the purpose for which it is being raised: the substitution of trained tribal militia for regular troops on the Samana. Caution will, of course, be exercised in making this change, and military considerations will be carefully weighed before the military garrisons of Forts Lockhart and Cavagnari are finally withdrawn.

BOMBAY ARRIVALS MAY 17—Phillips, Lieutenant, Bombay Comt. Transport on leave from Deolali.

Bamfield, Captain, Punjab, I.M.S., P.L.P.C. on leave from Kohat.

Departure—May 17.—Turner-Jonesat, Colonel, Bombay, R. E., on transfer to the Madras Command to Secunderabad.

THE LOSS OF A BOMBAY STEAMER.

THE VESSEL ABANDONED.

Further telegraphic news was received last evening by Messrs. W. and A. Graham and Co., the Bombay Agents of the s. s. "Foreland," stating that the Steamer has been abandoned and the officers and crew are safe. The "Foreland" left Bombay on the 14th April last for Rangoon in ballast. On arrival at Rangoon she was chartered by Messrs. Visram Ebrahim and Co. to bring to Bombay a cargo of 6,000 tons of rice and left for Bombay on the 5th instant. When passing through Marshall Channel she went aground on the Table Island, where she now lies a complete wreck. Although assistance was sent from Rangoon it is evident that all efforts to float her were of no avail, and Captain McCutchion deemed it proper to abandon the vessel. The officers and crew were probably taken back to Rangoon on board the Tug Kathleen, which was sent to the assistance of the "Foreland." The vessel belonged to the Clyde Shipping Company and was of a registered tonnage of 2831.

The officers on board when she left Bombay were: Commander J. McCutcheon; Chief Officer G. A. Glinday; Second Officer W. Douglas; Third Officer P. Dresser; 1st Engineer J. Coplaad, Second Engineer J. Beatt; Third Engigeer G. Holland; and Fourth Engineer G. Burgess.

The native crew numbered 59. The s. s. "Foreland" is the second steamer that has been wrecked at Table Island within the last three years, the other vessel being the Austrian Lloyd's s. s. Medura.

THE RETURN OF THE JUBALAND EXPEDITION.

The Director of the Royal Indian Marine has chartered the British India Steamer "Nevassa," to bring back the troops that were sent to Jubaland. The "Nevassa" is expected here to-day or to-morrow. She will be immediately fitted up as a transport and will afterwards be despatched to Kismayo.

THE LATE SIR ARTHUR STRACHEY'S SUCCESSOR.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, MAY 17.

It is rumoured here in legal circles that Mr. Justice Stanley, of the Calcutta High Court, will be appointed Chief Justice of the Allahabad High Court, vice the late Sir Arthur Strachey.

CALCUTTA CORPORATION AND THE "INVALID CONTRACTS."

It now appears that the result of the arbitration award in matter of the so called "invalid contracts" between the Martin Company, Burn company and the Municipal Corporation is that whereas the contractors claimed Rs. 921,689, the total award is only Rs. 314,964. After a careful consideration of the present system the committee of the Calcutta Corporation appointed to report on the reorganisation of the Engineering and Health departments have made the following recommendations:—(1) Conservatory department should be amalgamated with the engineers department;; (2) Building department should be a separate department with a responsible officer in charge. (3) The city should be divided into four districts, each district being self-contained in regard to the Health, Building and Engineering departments. (4) A local municipal office should be established in each district and should be the centre of municipal business for the district. The reforms suggested if adopted will result in the immediate annual saving of Rs. 25,000.

THE FORT WILLIAM MURDER.

PRIVATE SULLIVAN RETRIED.

The case of Emperor vs Michael Sullivan, who is charged with having murdered a master tailor at Fort William on 19th July, 1900 was taken up to-day at the High Court Sessions. At the time of murder Sullivan was a private in the Royal Irish Rifles and the motive alleged for the crime was that deceased had complained about him and had got him punished. The case came on for hearing at the Sessions in August, 1900, when medical evidence was adduced to show that Sullivan was insane and he was accordingly sent to the lunatic asylum under orders of the Government. About two months ago the medical men who attended Sullivan reported to Government that he was of sound mind and capable of making his defence and he is accordingly now being tried. On the case being called on Mr. Justice Sale put a few questions to Sullivan who gave intelligent answers. On the application of counsel for the accused three doctors are allowed to be present in court to hear the whole of the evidence so as to be able to express an opinion as to prisoner's insanity at the time he committed the offence with which he his charged. The trial is proceeding.

ARRIVAL OF TRANSPORT ULA.

The transport Ula arrived in Calcutta to-day with 670 mules and the following officers:—Major Hogge, Lieutenant F. F. Eleves, I.M.S., Captain Drake Brockman, and Captain H. C. Holman.

CALCUTTA AND SHIPMENT OF COAL.

CALCUTTA, MAY 17.

The Port Commissioners of Calcutta have paid an honorarium of a thousand rupees to each member of the committee, which, reported upon the schemes for mechanical shipment of coal at Kidderpur docks.

PASSENGERS BY THE HOMEWARD MAIL.

THE P. and O. S. N. Co.'s s. s. Peninsular, Captain I. Leigh, will sail to-day for London, Brindisi, and Aden with English mail and the following passengers:—

Clarke, Mr R W
Wilmot, Major Eardley
Medland, Mr F
Godfree, Mr P C
Fosbery, Mr and Mrs A C W
Bannerman, Major and Mrs 2 children and infant
Rennie, Miss
Thompson, Mr J
Brandeth, Mr S
Allum, Mr and Mrs E F and infant
Howlison, Mr and Mrs J
Rendall, Mr and Mrs H
Yusuf, Mr and Mrs and child
Thornton, Mr J
Anton, Mr J
Sime, Dr J
Adams, Mr and Mrs G
Cholmondeley, Mr and Mrs E C and child
White, Mrs H Esmonde
Woodman, Mr H G
Wassy, Mr G K
Temple, Col C C
Stuart, Mr and Mrs C A and 2 Misses
Annamara, Major and Mrs R J
Beals, Dr L H
Davidson, Major D M
Irvin, Mr P G
Mackay, Mr E V
Trethine, Mr Wm
Mackenzie, Mrs A L
Hornby, Miss E
Martin, Mr J R
Vigne, Mrs R A
Isabel, Sister
McConaughy, Mrs and two children
Grant, Mr J
Goldney, Miss E G
Tullock, Mrs T W G
Luker, Mr T
Condon, Miss
Hamilton, Mrs and child
Corsellis, Mr H N
Walsh, Major J H
Wyndham, Mr P
Parker, Col J
Waterfield, Mrs D S
Hanson, Mr and Mrs
Lee, Mr and Mrs Leonard
Branch, Mr C C
Bercetto, Mr D
Rustomjee, Mr C
Last, Mr W A W
Abbott, Mrs
Newell, Lieut H A
Birch, Mrs E child and infant
Colwin, Hon W M
Watson, Capt A C
Pedler, Mr H
Bowdoil, Miss
Deane, Mr G W
Walker, Capt and Mrs Spring and child
French, Mr L
Listkow, Mr F R
Cox, Mr A
Adams, Mr P J C
Bukah Eliahie, Mr
Abdool Aziz, Mr
Abdool Kareem, Mr
Rinkardy, Capt E
Ferris, Col and Mrs W B
Knight, Mr D
Kadir, Mr J W
Mowat, Mr M
Hamilton, Miss E W O H
Grieve, Mr
Parry, Mr W
Crawley, Miss Mary
Corbett, Mr J Q
Vaez, Mr
Milne, Capt C
Meares, Mr J W
Robinson, Mr J H
Signevia, Mr S P de
Gomes, Mrs Messias
Goldsmith, Mrs
Playfair, Sir Patrick
Buyers, Mr W A
Hales, Mrs Geo
Tomkins, Mr L
Mitchell, Lieut W J
Rangn, Mr and Mrs and Miss
Sienning, Mr
White, Mr & Mrs Charles W
Robinson, Mrs
Piggott, Mr J
Garcia, Mr Justice B Nunes
Corria, Revd Father E D
Anderson, Mr W
Burnett, Mr
Cole, Mr S H Maule
Harvey, Mrs M
Mumford, Miss
Shipman, Mr E and child
Bijraj Singh, Thakar
Gokaram, Mr
Rooke, Lieut George R N
Gates, Mrs F C
Bowack, Mr Geo
Parry, Miss
Brunt, Mr A and nurse
Cook, Col and Mrs, Miss and child
Patterson, Lieut S B A
Macwheanie, Major W J

The following passages have been engaged:—

Per s s Oriental, to Aden, on 25th May, 1901, connecting with s s Massilia and London.

Mr Schoen and Mr J L Cowell.

Per s s Arabia, to London, on 1st June, 1901.

Mr and Mrs H S Symons, Mr and Mrs W M Gerrard, Mr A Sisson, Mr and Mrs P Horzog, Mr and Mrs G Robertson, Mr J Keiman, Mr R Baumbach, Mr J J Marsland, Mr and Mrs R Samuel, Mr A Samuel, Col A Vincent, Col and Mrs D Robertson, Mr C W Craig, Mr J Read, Major C T Bell, Mr S Wahiduddin, Miss Wahiduddin, Col T D Bloan, Lieut G Burn, Mr F A Scott, Mr C Davey, Mr Ethells, Mr and Mrs G G Wright, Mr G E Fry, Mr and Mrs F A Lamb, Col R H Kellie, Miss Luise Koehn, Mr and Mrs H L Thomas and daughter, Mr and Mrs E H Hart, Capt and Mrs C E Wilson, Mr G T W Olver, Mr F C Parsons, Mrs Radcliffe, Mr B Coatupe, Major F S Beeamon, Mr and Mrs Currie and child, Miss Currie, Mr J L Cowell, Miss Anna Rix, Major H E Wilmot, Mr J G Burn, Mr and Mrs E W Parker, Mr E Wellman, Mr R W Formby, Mr A Woodburn, Mr J Humphry, Lieut Col J G Day, Capt H F Jacob, Mr and Mrs W Tennon C S, Mr J Piggott, Mr and Mrs R Hannfrey, Lieut S A M Orr, Mr A A Bower, Mr and Mrs J Pearson, Miss Foil, Mr Quinton Wright, and Brig-Genl Ventris.

THE S.S. SOBRAON.

H. A. RITCHIE, superintendent of the P. and O. S. N. Company at Hongkong sent the following information to the local press on the 27th ultimo.

The following information was telegraphed from Foochow last evening:—"Hasbin" proceeded "Sobraon this morning; French Cruiser goes this afternoon with Armit (3rd Officer, "Sobraon") aboard; mails in good order.

The following is a summary received by telegraph from Shanghai of the passengers and cargo on board the "Sobraon."

Passengers.—First Saloon—17 Adults, 5 children; Second Saloon—40 Adults, 13 children.

Cargo.—Treasure, Rds. 2000 only, 818 bales Fine Silk, 91 bales Waste Silk, 250 tons Strawbraid, 150 tons Hides, 150 tons Sundries.

LOSS OF THE "SAN CHOW."

A CANTON telegram of April 22 says:—The loss of the "San Chow" steamer, near the Shin Hing Gorge, has turned out much more serious than was at first reported. Instead of eighty or ninety people, one hundred and ninety have perished. The Shin Hing gentry have heartily supported the efforts of the Canton Benevolent Societies. They erected a shed for the reception of the dead bodies, and provided the accommodation required by the men sent to manage this business. The first efforts to raise the "San Chow" have not succeeded. The Chinese Imperial Maritime Customs have undertaken the work of raising the sunken steamer. A story is being told of a Kiang Si man who had a narrow escape. He was taking up a large sum of money from Canton to Wuchow, he went on board the "San Chow" at Canton, but when he saw the overcrowded state of that vessel, he refused to take a passage on her, and went on board the s. s. "Ping On."

LADY SANDHURST.

"M. A. P." of April 26 has the following:—"Lord and Lady Sandhurst are returned to London from the country. Lady Sandhurst was Lady Victoria Spencer and is sister to Lord Spencer. This lady affords a striking proof of the attractive possibilities of a woman who is not remarkably beautiful. She is clever, a good talker, and she is always to the fore in every kind of sport, and in the various social amusements. Lady Sandhurst is a good musician, she sings extremely well, and she may be generally seen at the Monday Popular Concerts. She is moreover a good amateur actress, and, as may easily be judged by those who know her, her services are often given in the cause of charity.

Lady Sandhurst has a style of dress that is distinctive, and admirably suited to her favourite pursuits. In London, as well as in the country, she is always to be seen gowned in the severest tailor-made style, a well-cut coat and skirt and neat cloth toque or plain sailor hat. She spent several years in India, when Lord Sandhurst was Governor of Bombay, but the duties and delights of Vicegeral existence were said to be by no means in accordance with her "open-air" disposition. The late Queen Victoria was her godmother, and in later life invested her with the Imperial Order of the Crown of India."

WOMEN'S INTERESTS.

A FRENCH "CAUSE CELEBRE."

A "ROYAL NECKLACE" DRESSES.

COMING ROYAL MARRIAGE.

(FROM OUR LADY CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, APRIL 26.

THE French papers are devoting whole columns to the case of Comte de Cornulier, who shot his wife last November. The Court, when the trial opened, was filled to overflowing with a fashionable public. Not even the Vera Gelo trial called forth so much interest, and yet it is, after all, nothing but a very simple shooting case, which might be laid before the jury in half an hour. It is not, however, the naked crime that tickles the curiosity of Paris, and causes its nerves to tingle so much as the trimmings. The material part of the case can be stated in a few lines. On November 17 last in the afternoon, as Comtesse Cornulier was coming downstairs from the rooms of her business manager, named Leroux, she found herself face to face with her husband, Comte de Cornulier, from whom she had been judicially separated some months before. The Count was lying in wait for her on the staircase. He fired at her three times. The Countess fell mortally wounded in the breast and head, and she died half an hour later without recovering her senses. She was 37 years of age. There you have the case for the prosecution.

The story of the Cornulier couple's misfortunes may be told at greater length, making use only of statements in the indictment. The husband and wife both belong to the country nobility, the Count being a specimen of the idle good-for-nothing sort which is not uncommon. He married Mademoiselle de Vienney in 1883, after which he resigned his commission as sub-lieutenant to live in idleness, his wife having brought him £2,400 a year. The couple led a wandering life for several years, residing at Nantes, Geneva, Territet, Arcachon, and Paris, and in the country. In 1899 the wife was locked up in a Swiss asylum for a few weeks to undergo treatment for acute mania, and in 1893 the Count, at his own mother's request, was deprived by a French law court of the right to administer his wife's fortune. In 1895 they went to live at Dreux, with their three children. The Count and Countess were on very bad terms with each other; they continually called each other names, and even fought, the Count using his fists and the Countess her nails. The Count accused his wife of misconduct. Madame de Cornulier made the acquaintance at Dreux of Leroux, the business agent. The Count after a few months turned Leroux out of the house, and brought an action for a judicial separation against his wife, she bringing a counter action against her husband. The order was granted, both the parties being sentenced to pay their own costs. The Count was convicted of beating his wife in 1890 and 1894. She was convicted of misconduct in 1895 and in 1896. The Count had been compelled to give up his wife's fortune, and had nothing to live upon beyond an annuity of £72 a year. In November, 1899, the Count found out from a private inquiry agent that his wife was paying daily visits to Leroux. He lay in wait for his wife on the 16th of that month, but she did not appear. He returned the day following. Having shot his wife, he remained a few moments beside her. He said to her, "Ah, my poor wife, ask God for forgiveness. I for my part forgive you." Then he asked that a priest and a doctor might be fetched. When the police arrested him, he said, "She had a lover. I have just killed her." The indictment states, "Whatever opinion one may have on the relations between Madame de Cornulier and Leroux, it is unquestionable that their last meeting was a purely business interview." The prisoner, whose examination took up the greater part of this afternoon's sitting, pleaded that his crime was quite unpremeditated.

A dressmaker's bill sent in to Madame Otero, the danseuse, has been before the Civil Tribunal in Paris. Considering what prices are charged in the great dressmaking houses, this bill might almost serve as an advertisement for relative cheapness. There are 25 articles, and they only cost 27,605 francs, or a trifle over £1,000. Madame Otero does not dispute the bill as a whole; she only cries out against one item of £36 for a ball dress in lace, ground, embroidered in rosepawn and over rose-prawn silk. Madame Otero furnished the lace incrustations, but the dress was not sent in at the time agreed, and she had to wear an older one instead. She sues for the return of the lace, and the cancelling of the item of £36. Her couturier pleads that she was to have tried the dress on in his rooms, but never came. Maitre Clunet is charged with the case of Madame Otero. The bill extends over three years. Among what seem to me the high-price articles is a corsage, £40; a plain blue dress, £64; a collarette in strawcoloured velvet, trimmed with pink roses, £80; but a gown in painted muslin over pink silk is almost for nothing at £40, Madame Otero, no doubt, has other dressmakers or couturiers who may be less moderate.

A cotton imitation of woollen stuff, and known as pilou, is very much used for children's dresses. The blue variety, it appears, is dangerous. This was discovered by the illness of a Madame Moreau each time she made a blue pilou dress for one her children, and by the faintness and headache of the child who wore it. The doctor who was called in did not know what to think of the affections of both. He noticed something strange in the action of the heart. After many inquiries, he came to suspect the dye stuff in the blue pilou, and had it sent to the municipal laboratory. The report of the chemical expert states that the dye used was composed with ferro-cyanide, which is not in itself hurtful, but that the pilou to receive the dye was prepared with cupric acid, and that the combination forms prussic acid. Most blue stuffs are dyed with these chemicals, but pilou absorbs a greater quantity of the dye fluid and for this reason is more dangerous.

The "Rappel" hears from Sofia that Prince Ferdinand's long absence from Bulgaria is to be explained by his desire to win the Princes Clementine of Belgium for a second wife. She has long been supposed to have made up her mind not to marry a member of the Royal caste unless she fell in love with him. The fate of her two elder sisters has, it is said, served her as a warning. But Prince Ferdinand is of mature age, he has motherless children to bring up, and his deafness makes it necessary for him to have a wife's assistance in giving audiences to Ministers. This state of relative helplessness might cause the Princess to change her mind. He was at Mentone with his children and mother when the King of the Belgians and his daughter were at Cannes. The match announced by the "Rappel" would be an extremely advantageous one for the Prince, the Princess being sure of a very large fortune. She is also a member of the now great Saxe-Coburg connection. She is the picture of what her father was when he was nine-and twenty, her present age, and is tall and rather distingueé. One may also see in her a resemblance to the late Princess Alice, but with quite other eyes. A difficulty would be her Roman Catholicism, which is deep-seated. The Prince is still a Roman Catholic in a way. At Sofia he hears Mass every Sunday in his private apartments, and then conforms to the religion of his subjects by attending the Orthodox Mass at the Cathedral.

Concerning the mysteries of feminine cycling dress a correspondent writes: "The incident I am about to relate occurred to a party of which I was a member while we were riding down a long hill a few days ago. There were some ladies with us, and, descending the hill, the machine of one of them suddenly bolted to the side of the road, to the accompaniment of sounds of tearing cloth. When the lady, the bicycle, and the hedge had been duly separated, it was found that no very serious damage had been done further than a torn skirt. The accident had been caused by the pedal catching in the hem of the fair rider's skirt, and here an experienced lady cyclist in the party told me to advise all lady readers never to cycle in a skirt with a handstitched hem. The wider handstitching provides a place for the pedal to catch while if the hem be machine-stitched such a thing is impossible. I give the hint exactly as it was given to me, and from what happened then I can understand that a very serious accident might easily have occurred from such a cause, and the ladies were all apprently agreed that it was the handstitching that was to blame.

Some of the dresses in "A Royal Necklace" at the Imperial Theatre are magnificent. The Louis XVI. period of costume was one of the most picturesque in the history of dress, and in the play now spoken of the dresses worn by King, Queen and Court are seen to excellent advantage. They are elaborate to the last degree, and so rich of material that they must represent a very considerable outlay. Powdered hair has always to be dressed up to, and for more reasons than one. Not only does it in itself strike the ceremonious note, inferring the ornate in dress and surroundings, but also the loss of individuality occasioned by everyone wearing white hair has to be made up for by differentiating the attire in some striking way. This appears to have been successfully achieved at the Imperial Theatre. Mrs. Langtry, as Marie Antoinette, wears a series of beautiful dresses, and the ladies of the Court are costumed with almost equal magnificence. In the first act, the Queen's dress is golden-brown velvet, sumptuously trimmed with chinchilla. Bars of the chinchilla cross the underskirt, which shows only in front. Graduated revers of the grey fur meet at the waist. The skirt is bunched at the hips, and flows out into a long train, which is managed very gracefully by the leading lady. An enormous hood of the velvet is lined with pink and bordered with the fur and a muff of equally portentous size is entirely composed of chinchilla. The skirt is lined with pink, echoing that under the great hood. The contrast is great between this rich dress and the flowered chintz to which the Queen so quickly changes to come on as Mlle. Olive. It is a Dolly Varden costume, very much bunched, and is accompanied by a green silk spencer, trimmed with fur. The headdress is as unceremonious in character as the dress, consisting of green velvet, and lace, tied on with a black silk scarf. The shoes have very high, red heels.

In the next dress worn by the Queen, there is some approximation to the teagown of our own day. It is pale blue Roman satin, with wide stripes of a glossier texture. This falls in natural folds, and is bordered with a wavy line of creamy lace. Round the shoulders is a beautiful fichu of chiffon and lace the long ends of which fall over the front, also composed of lace and chiffon. This is the scene in which the Queen sees in dreams the guillotine, and the surging crowd that are to play so heavy a part in her life. With the Dauphin in her arms she makes a touching picture. The boy wears a white satin suit and a blue satin dressing gown trimmed with snowy fur. The most ornate of the Queen's dresses is one with a marvellous train of cherry-coloured gauze and silver, but in the simple muslin, worn in the Park of Trianon, Versailles, she looks better and more graceful than in all the splendour of Court dress. The gown is white muslin over pale blue silk, with a fichu and long ends. A wide-brimmed Tuscan hat was trimmed with roses, and a very telling knot of black velvet was fastened under the brim, so that it rested on the hair.

A very beautiful dress is worn in the opening scene by the Comtesse de la Motte (Mrs. Cecil Raleigh). The front is pearl coloured brocade, flowered with pale pink, and shot with blue. A very full, deep flounce of the same is carried across the front, and is put on with a beading of the brocade. The overdress is gold-shot glace silk, frilled all round with pastel blue chiffon, the frills being sewn underneath the edges where the flowing overdress falls down the sides. A Watteau pleat is set on with a very wide bow of the shot silk. The inevitable fichu so characteristic of the dress of the time, is in this instance made of pastel blue chiffon with long flimy ends that float about in airy fashion as the Comtesse moves. The Marquise sleeves end at the elbows with redundant frills of both brocade and gold silk. The Comtesse de Polignac has a neat walking dress of dark blue cloth, with a long velvet tippet in the same colour, bordered with brown fur. Her enormous muff and hood match the dress. In the Trianon scene she wears a striped silk, in alternate lines of dull green and Pompadour flowers. The muslin fichu is trimmed with fur.

Never have the tints of spring in dress materials and new hats delighted the eye as much as they do now. After our long months of general mourning the change to colours coincided, by a happy chance, with the first warm and sunny day that London had enjoyed for some weeks. The shop windows were radient with colour, chiefly the hues of spring blossoms having been chosen. It was a bedazzlement after all our gloom. It was curious that a bright day of the sort that has for half a century been known as "Queen's weather," should occur on the very date when the nation left off the outward token of grief and loss for the best beloved and most revered of Sovereigns. The large drapery firms had resolved to make a gala day of it, and had advertised to that effect.

Doctor Baudoin, head of the Institute Bibliographique, does not understand how doubts can seriously be thrown on the story of the needle-swallowing girl at St. Germain. The facts of the case are all well proved. Anyone who takes the trouble of going to St. Germain can obtain direct evidence on the subject. All Bibliographic doctors know that several years ago the well known Doctor Rose described in Germany a new dressmakers malady similar to the St. Germain case. The German dressmakers were then constantly swallowing needles and Doctor Rose established that they often lodged and were found in vital organs and under the skin. Baudoin himself two years ago called attention to the same malady in France. We are to suppose that in some cases the swallowed needles had fatal effects as when they lodged in the liver, heart, or perforated the intestines.

All Italy has been exercised over the choice of a nurse for the expected heir to the Italian Throne. Princess Venosa was commissioned to choose one, and she went for the purpose to Albano, attended by a committee of experts, consisting of a physician a surgeon, and a photographer, whose function was to examine the bones of the applicants by means of the Rontgen rays. The lady finally selected had to sign an undertaking that she would not see her husband or any member of her family, for two years.

CYCLING AT HOME.

LONDON, APRIL 26.

WHILE the racing man in this country is hardly recognized at all as of value from a racing advertisement point of view, it appears that America is still going ahead in this direction. The American Bicycle Trust has decided to engage about twenty men for racing purposes. These men will doubtless go "on circuit," as is usual, taking in the big race meetings of the year. In England, cycling and the trade trust upon the popularity of the pastime itself, and no amount of racing success on this or the other machine results in practical advantage to any particular maker. The public takes no notice of racing matters, and so racing is left to stand on its merits, the few men—save the few professionals—who go in for it doing so purely for the love of the thing.

The question has been raised as to whether a cyclist can wheel his bycycle from the road across the pavement to his house, and the answer in the affirmative is most decidedly given. The addresses of cyclists have been taken for wheeling machines along broad foot-thoroughfares where no roadway exists, such as for instance across the back of the Royal Exchange and here doubtless such an action would be perfectly legitimate, if not otherwise the law. It is no doubt a convenient short cut from one street to the other, but the cyclist must conform to the traffic regulations and fall into line with other vehicles and keep to the roadway.

The free wheel is an excellent device, but like many other excellent things it is open to an amount of abuse which rather

ADAM'S DIARY.

TRANSLATED BY MARK TWAIN,

"Harper's" for April contains "Extracts from Adam's Diary: Translated from the Original MS. by Mark Twain." The translator explains he "acquired a portion of this diary some time ago, but since then he has deciphered some more of Adam's hieroglyphics, and thinks Adam "has now become sufficiently important as a public character to justify this publication."

THE NEW CREATURE WITH THE LONG HAIR.

The first "extract" begins plumply:—

Monday.—This new creature with the long hair is a good deal in the way. It is always hanging around and following me about. I don't like this; I am not used to company. I wish it would stay with the other animals.

The site of primeval paradise is pleasantly suggested by the next entry:—

Tuesday.—Been examining the great waterfall. It is the finest thing on the estate, I think. The new creature calls it Niagara Falls.

This new creature is very tromblesome:—

Wednesday.—Built me a shelter against the rain, but could not have it to myself in peace. The new creature intruded. When I tried to put it out it shed water out of the holes it looks with, and wiped is away with the back of its paws, and made a noise such as some of the other animals make when they are in distress. I wish it would not talk; it is always talking.

INTERFERENCE WITH BACHELOR RIGHTS.

Then he laments that his name for "the estate"—"the Garden of Eden"—has to be given up because "the long-haired creature will call it "Niagara Falls Park";—

Sunday,—. . . This morning found the new creature trying to steal apples out of that forbidden tree.

On Monday "it" insists on being "she" and calls itself "Eve."

On Friday she takes to beseeching the diarist "to stop going over the Falls":—

I went over the Falls in a barrel—not satisfactory to her. Went over in a tub—still not satisfactory. Swam the whirlpool and the rapids in a fig-leaf suit. It got much damaged. Hence tedious complaints about my extravagance.

Here is Mark's commentary on Sundays before the Fall:—

Sunday.—Pulled through.

Monday.—I believe I see what the week is for: it is to give time to rest up from the weariness of Sunday. It seems a good idea. . . . She has been climbing that tree again: Clodded her out of it.

EVE FINDS A NEW GOSSIP.

The diary goes on to tell how Eve fell into the water "when she was looking at herself," and was nearly strangled. This made her pity the fish and take them out putting them into Adam's bed to keep them warm. Adam didn't like such clammy bedfellows. The crisis draws near:—

Tuesday.—She has taken up with a snake now. The other animals are glad, for she was always experimenting with them and bothering them; and I am glad, because the snake talks, and this enables me to get a rest.

Friday.—She says the snake advises her to try the fruit of that tree, and says the result will be a great and fine and noble education. I told her there would be another result, too—it would introduce death into the world.

THE CRISIS.

He rides off to get away from the coming trouble; but as he is riding, suddenly every beast set about destroying his neighbours. The tigers ate his horse and showed intentions of taking him too by way of dessert. But he had other business which required his immediate attention. He found a place outside the park; and then she found him again. He moralises:—

In fact I was not sorry when she came, for there are but meagre pickings here, and she brought some of those apples. I was obliged to eat them, I was so hungry. Is was against my principles, but I find that principles have no real force except when one is well fed. . . . I find she is a good deal of a companion. I see I should be lonesome and depressed without her, now that I have lost my property. Another thing, she says it is ordered that we work for our living hereafter. She will be useful. I will superintend.

THE TRUE STORY OF THE FALL.

Ten days later.—She accuses me of being the cause of our disaster! She says, with apparent sincerity and truth, that the serpent assured her that the forbidden fruit was not apples, it was chestnuts, I said I was innocent, then, for I had not eaten any chestnut. She said the Serpent informed her that "chestnut" was a figurative term meaning an aged and mouldy joke. I turned pale at that, for I have made many jokes to pass the weary time, and some of them could have been of that sort, though I had honestly supposed that they were new when I made them. She asked me if I had made one just at the time of the catastrophe. I was obliged to admit that I had made one to myself, though not aloud. It was this. I was thinking about the Falls, and I said to myself, "How wonderful it is to see that vast body of water tumble down there!" Then in a burst a bright thought flashed into my head, and I let it fly, saying, "It would be a deal more wonderful to see it tumble "up" there!"—and I was just about to kill myself with laughing at it when all nature broke loose in war and death, and I had no time for my life. "There," she said, with triumph, "that is just it; the Serpent mentioned that very jest, and called it the First Chestnut, and said it was coeval with the creation." Alas, I am indeed to blame. Would that I were not witty! Oh, would that I had never had that radiant thought!

A MYSTERIOUS ANIMAL.

The arrival of a yet newer creature is thus announced:—

Next Year.—We have named it Cain. She caught it while I was up country trapping on the North Shore of the Erie; caught it in the timber a couple of miles from our dug-out—or it might have been four, she isn't certain which.

He suggests it is a fish and throws it into the water to see if it would swim. It sinks. Eve rescues it. "She thinks more of it than she does of any of the other animals. Her mind is disordered—everything shows it." Later he confesses his likes Sundays, "Superintending all the week tires a body out." Cain still puzzles him:—

It is not one of us, for it doesn't walk; it is not a bird for it doesn't fly; it is not a frog, for it doesn't hop; it is not a snake, for it doesn't crawl; I feel sure it is not a fish, though I cannot get a chance to find out whether it can swim or not. It merely lies around, and mostly on its back with its feet up. I have not seen any other animal do that before.

Three months later he concludes it is a kangaroo and proposes to call it "Kangaroorum Adamiensis." He lays traps to see if he cannot catch another. But while other creatures come into the trap, none come that are like Cain. He gives up the kangaroo hypothesis and thinks the thing must be a bear, though it has no tail and has fur only on its head. Many months later he goes hunting, in the vain hope of catching another bear of the same queer sort. He comes back disfitted to find that in the meantime Eve—"without stirring from the home estate—has caught another one!" He "never saw such luck."

NEXT DAY.—I have been comparing the new one with the old one and it is perfectly plain that they are the same breed. I was going to sell one of them for my collection, but she is prejudiced against it for some reason or other. . . . She calls it Abel.

DISCOVERY.

The Diary ends with this paragraph.—

Ten years later.—They are boys; we found it out long ago. It was their coming in that small, immature shape that puzzled us; we were not used to it. There are some girls now. Abel is a good boy, but if Cain had staid a bear it would have improved him. After all these years, I see that I was mistaken about Eve in the beginning; it is better to live outside the Garden with her than inside it without her. At first I thought she talked too much; but now I should be sorry to have that voice fall silent and pass out of my life. Blessed be the chestnut that brought us near together, and taught me to know the goodness of her heart and the sweetness of her spirit.

JUDGES WHO WOULD COMMIT SUICIDE.

The recent description in the English newspapers of the strike of the Japanese judges for higher salaries and their threats to commit suicide if their demands were not complied with, has, no doubt, served to cause considerable amusement among us, but at the same time, it has brought home to many readers another instance of the great advances made by the Japanese during the last quarter of a century. It was in 1872 that Japan first woke to the fact that her judicial system was rotten, and out of touch with Western ideas, and with characteristic energy she at once started to create courts and judges such as we are accustomed to in this country; both being thoroughly reorganised again in 1890. Codes of law, not yet completed, have from time to time been promulgated, and founded as they are upon the laws of half a dozen different European countries they should eventually prove efficient. Of course such a legal revolution as that which has occurred in Japan has practically entailed the entire abolition of customary law, a state of things which would cause old Black-stone's hair to stand on end, were he here to contemplate it!—"Liverpool Post."

One result of the war in South Africa has been to stimulate the growing by farmers of grass for hay. In Bechuanaland and Natal, large quantities have been raised and disposed of to the Imperial authorities at a big profit, and mowing machines are now said to be more actively enquired for.

The Siemens-Halske electric omnibus has proved satisfactory in Berlin. It has 12 inside and six outside places. A battery of 44 Pollak accumulators under the seats gives current for a 10 to 12 mile run. The line is two and-a-half miles long, with charging stations at each end. The trip is made in 26 minutes and each omnibus does about 60 miles a day.

It is reported that steps are being taken to institute wireless telegraph service between Prawle Point, England, and Australia, with stations at the Lizard, Uahant, Finisterre, Gibraltar, Malta, Algiers, Sardinia, Sicily, Cape Malea (Greece), Alexandria, Aden, Socotra, Colombo, Sumatra, Cocos Islands, Perth, Albany, Adelaide, and Melbourne.

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THE STATE OF CHINA.

A REMARKABLE DECREE.

THE COURT ON ITS DEFENCE.

Among the many Decrees issued of late from the Imperial Court, not the least curious and important is the one of which free but correct translation is given below: It would seem to be—not, as it professes, the composition of the Emperor himself, but the work of the Empress Dowager and her friends. They have shown themselves on previous occasions adepts in this particular kind of fraud. It is a very clever attempt to evade responsibility for what has taken place, and to regain "face" both with the nation and with foreigners. Like most defences in a bad cause, however, it abounds in contradictions and gives the Court away badly in one or two places. A perusal of the document will afford quite an insight into Chinese methods and lines of argument.

EDICT ISSUED FEB. 14, 1901.

"The revolt of the Boxers last Summer was the cause of much bloodshed between princes friendly nations, and led to the fall of even our Seat of Government. When the capital of our Empire was attacked, I escorted the Empress-Dowager, and escaped to the Westward. We subsequently appointed Prince Ching and Li Hung Chang to be our Plenipotentiaries to discuss terms of peace with the Foreign Powers. Yesterday we received telegrams from these Statesmen saying that the twelve general terms of peace had been agreed to, and we ordered them to carefully negotiate the remaining articles in such a way that China might be able to bear the burden of satisfying the Foreign Powers. The time has now, therefore, arrived for us to explain to the country and publicly bemoan all that has occurred, and we have no recourse but to reveal to the officials and people all that we have endured, and how wrongly we have been accused. Those who have failed to appreciate the true causes of the Boxer rebellion have hastily accused us of negligence in allowing the Boxers to become so powerful. They do not appear to realise that we issued many Edicts during the 5th and 6th Moons, ordering the suppression of the Boxers and the protection of the Christians. But the people were ill-willed and unsubmissive, and the Court was powerless. At that time we were in a serious dilemma, our authority being set at naught, and we feared for the security of the Dynasty. On the 21st of the Seventh Moon (July 15) the most serious event happened (fall of Pekin). I and the Empress-Dowager were then prepared to offer ourselves as sacrifices to appease our wrathful ancestors, but while we cried and abased ourselves, the Princes and Ministers came and insisted on our escaping and forced us against our wills through the fires and conflict to escape to the Westward. Palaces around us were in ruins and officials killed. All this was the work of the Boxers. How, then, can it be said the Court helped the Boxers?

"The real reason of the Boxer rising is that the timid officials, when dealing with lawsuits in which native Christians were concerned, were afraid the Foreign Consuls would impeach them for injustice to the Christians, and others who wished to find favour with the people always sided with them, against the Christians, so that a bitter feeling grew up between the people and the converts, and this gave the Boxers an excuse for mischief. This was entirely the fault of the local officials. When the Boxers had destroyed churches and railways we ordered the reserved forces in Chi-li to suppress them, but the Imperial forces were very badly controlled. They persecuted the good people, and the Boxers proclaimed that they were only against the Christians and would do no harm to the people. This caused the people to fear the troops and turn to the Boxers for protection, and the Boxer force thus became stronger and stronger. This was the fault of the Military officers, who did not exercise proper authority over their soldiers. The Boxers spread wild rumours that they could perform great deeds by means of charms, and excited the ignorant people, and even the ignorant and conservative officials and Princes fell into the snare. These Princes and officials, who, for many years, have beheld with envy the power of other nations, foolishly hoped to strengthen our nation by the help of the Boxers, and caused Boxer drill to take place in every house and palace.

"Seeing this, I and the Empress-Dowager ordered Kang Yi to disperse these people; but, instead of dispersing, they appeared upon the walls of Pekin in red belts and turbans, and attacked the Foreign Legations. The Empress-Dowager has been Regent and adviser for forty-years, and I have been influenced throughout by her teaching to protect the Christians and be friendly to foreign nations. What faithful and loyal people would burn houses and kill people and what Government would break peace with other nations and support rebels? During the trouble the leaders were backed by somebody, and I and the Empress found ourselves deprived of all power and in great personal danger. This was the fault of the Princes and officials. At the time when the Legations were besieged, we several times ordered the ministers of the Tsung-li-yamen to stop the attack and to visit the Foreign Ministers, but were prevented by the firing on both sides. The Court did its utmost to try and stop the attack, and thus the worst calamity to the Foreign Ministers was averted. It is I who, in order to satisfy the Empress-Dowager's anxiety, sent fruits and wines to the Foreign Ministers, and her anxiety for them ought to be widely known.

"Now, by the peace negotiations, I am in full possession still of power and Empire; I have lost neither "prestige" nor territory. I am grateful to the foreign nations for their leniency, and truly grieved at what the officials have done, and I am sorrowful and humiliated, but hopeful that peace is really ensured, and that the Powers will not offer more serious difficulties to be overcome. Let Prince Ching and Li Hung Chang negotiate the remaining articles carefully, and for the best interests of China. The foreign nations are just and reasonable, and they know the capacity of China, and they must modify their demands accordingly. We would further point out that at the time of the trouble we ordered the Southern Viceroys to protect their Provinces, but not to open hostilities. Fortunately they obeyed our wishes and did not break peace with the foreign Powers, but entered into an agreement with the Consuls, and the trade of the Southern Provinces was thereby saved from ruin. In times of peace these Provinces were confident and boastful, but in time of need they were powerless, and instead of realising the hardship and danger of the Court, they stood calmly on one side and blamed it. Think of the position we were in! On the journey between Chang Ping and Hsien Hua I attended the Empress-Dowager in ragged cotton clothing, and we were not able to get so much as a bowl of congee. The misery was even worse than that endured by the Boxers' people. Does not the thought of it make every official ashamed? But the responsibility for the officials of State rests upon the Sovereign, and thus the fault of all this is mine, and I go into these details not to reproach you, but to urge you to do better in future.

"Within the past twenty years, after any trouble there has been some feeble presence made at reform and talk of reorganising Government finance, and strengthening the nation, but these plans became mere empty ornamental memorials, and in a short time corrupt practices and selfishness were again rampant. I would have you officials understand that the country cannot be built up in this way. At the best of times our finance is weak, and now this serious calamity has made us poorer than ever. You officials, who have received so many gracious benefits from the Government, must exert yourselves and display your particular loyalty by devising some way by which we may be able to face the indemnity without causing the people to suffer too much. It is of the utmost importance now to abolish selfishness and conservative principles from the official circles, and soon the affairs of the State may be better managed. You must report to us where reforms are needed and begin at once, as I and the Empress-Dowager look to you to help us recover what we have lost and suffered by this great calamity to the nation. Let this be obeyed."

THE WORLD'S COAL SUPPLIES.

That the United Kingdom owes its remarkable supremacy in the arts and manufactures during the first part of the present century to its pre-eminence as a coal-producing country goes without saying. Thirty-five years ago, the United Kingdom produced 55 per cent. of the total coal production of the world, which only amounted to rather over 185 millions of tons. To-day, despite the enormous progress we have made in the interval—having considerably more than doubled our output of coal—we only produce 33 per cent. of the world's output. Within the same period the United States have increased their proportion of the world's coal output from 13 per cent. to 34 per cent., while Germany has risen from 15 per cent. to 20 per cent., including lignite and brown coal. In 1895 a diligent enquirer into the world's coal resources and production, in making a record of the coal output of different countries, had to put queries after Asia or Africa, because it was not then known that either Asia or Africa produced any coal at all. To-day we have reliable particulars of the output of coal in India, Japan, and one or two minor Asiatic countries, while a large development of coal output is in progress in China. As regards Africa, we know that coal is raised in the Cape, Natal, the Transvaal, and elsewhere. The Australasian Colonies, again, produced only three-quarter millions of tons in 1896, almost wholly in New South Wales. That mineral is now being raised in practically the whole of the Australasian Colonies, and the output for the current year is expected to reach over six millions of tons.

But perhaps the most remarkable case of all is that of Russia, which in 1896 produced less than 300,000 tons of coal, and this year will produce over ten millions of tons. It requires no prophet to foresee that Russia, with the most extensive coalfields in the world, will rapidly and largely increase her coal output in the near future, in no country is general industry making more steady and solid progress. In all the arts and industries, the Russian development of the last 20 years has been quite phenomenal, iron cotton, engineering, chemicals, minerals, and other industries have sprung up as if by magic in all directions. Siberia, which has hitherto been a wilderness, may not exactly be made as yet to "blossom as the rose," but it will unquestionably be able so give a better account of itself in the near future.

In view of these facts, it appears likely that the supply of coal will keep ahead of the demand by the world's great industries. It is one of the most inevitable of economic laws that supply will overtake demand. In the coal trade the supply has generally been far ahead of the demand. Probably only in four or five years, during the last half-century, has there been anything like a general scarcity or dearness of coal. The only no-able cases of the kind have been 1873-74, 1879-1889-90. The circumstances of the hour are, of course, very different from those of any former period. Not only is there a general awakening on the part of vast communities like those of Russia and China, that have not hitherto had their pulses stimulated by the impulses of civilisation, but there never was a period when industrial progress in every direction was so marked. All industrial advance makes for an increased demand for fuel, and hence the present situation.

At the same time there is practically no limit to the possible increase of the supply of coal. The present output of the whole world may be taken at 700 millions of tons a year. It may be possible to add 50 per cent. to this output within five years, if it were made worth while to apply capital, energy, and enterprise to that intent. It is certain that the only drawback to large and rapid advance is that of available skilled labour, and in the majority of countries, although not in our own, the limitations imposed upon labour in reference to skill are of the most trifling kind. When we remember that nearly all civilised and some semi-civilised countries are now engaged in the production of coal, that all countries require it, that all communities possess sufficient knowledge and experience to produce it, at any rate in a manner less elementary way, we need not fear that the near future will place plenty of coal at the disposal of mankind.—"The Merchant and Shipper."

HERE, THERE, AND EVERYWHERE

Classes for bridge are given at the editorial office of a weekly contemporary. An authority on matters social, however, has been heard to say that this particular craze will not last over the Coronation year.

Is cock-fighting to become general in England? We are told, at any rate, that eggs at 8s. apiece are being shipped from the Continent to England, not for breakfast, but for the production of a special and particular breed of fighting-cocks.

It is asserted in the "Times" that Russia is seeking to acquire a coaling-station in Korea within four hours' steaming of Port Hamilton, which England relinquished on condition that "Russia should not seek to acquire territory in Korea."

The Carbon Steel Company of Pittsburg is stated to have discovered a process which will greatly reduce the cost and facilitate the manufacture of armour plates. It is claimed to be superior to Krupp's. The new process enables the casting of steel ingots and rolling them into plates.

The death is announced of Mr. T. R. Roberts, the well-known draper, of Islington, at the age of sixty-four. He and his brother came to London as boys without money and without friends, but they are reported to have made a clear million each.

Mr. Frank Jones Blair, of Boston, has come to London to "form circles." They will ultimately become wedding-rings, it is hoped, for he is organising a British branch of the "Amulet League of Love," a society for the promotion of love marriages.

Picquet has never won the universal homage of whist and bridge, nor has it the piquant charm of poker, but all the same it has its adherents. Mrs. Montefiore, of Worth House, Potsin plays picquet, and so do several other well-known people.

Patience is perhaps better appreciated as a game than as a virtue, and has many faithful friends in the world of society. Mr. Gillett, of the Bachelor's Club, invented a very clever game of patience and many people carry their packs of Patience cards, and their special tables, wherever they go, when they travel.

Bridge still holds its own, but other and less serious games show signs of a coming popularity. As a nation we are accused of taking our pleasures sadly, but this stricture hardly applies to our drawing-room amusements. Mrs. Hwfa Williams is said to have invented Puff Billiards, but the great mind who is responsible for Ping-pong, has yet to be discovered.

A curious situation is brought about by a will left by James Jennings Mc Comb, a wealthy man of Philadelphia, who died lately. He leaves to his daughter an annuity of £15,000 conditionally upon her agreeing to marry a certain artist. The girl is willing to accept the conditions but the artist declines and as the will makes no provision for his refusal, it is a question whether the annuity will not have to be paid to the daughter.—"Daily."

If one could only bring oneself to believe the absolute correctness of a story told by an officer it would be necessary to credit Botha with a piquant wit. The story goes that at the end of the Kitchener-Botha peace conference Botha said, "Well, I must be going." Lord Kitchener replied, "No hurry, you haven't got to catch a train." "That's just what I have got to do," said Botha, and two days afterwards a train was held up not far from the place of meeting.

Bridge has of late carried all before it, and the days of poker playing in London seem to be ended. Baccarat has also taken a back seat, and the roulette parties which once were given at certain houses are now rarely heard of. Bridge classes are an institution at several smart houses. An instructor is engaged, and the lady of the house invites some of her special friends. Four to six are the hours named, and tea is of course, provided. Many men teach bridge, and a good many ladies also. A "bridge governess" is the new term for this "nouveau siecle" profession.

Red rain caused a considerable commotion in the South of Europe not long ago. It now appears that it is quite possible that Camden Town will be visited by a like phenomenon. In the current number of "Symonds' Meteorological Magazine," Dr. H. R. Mill calls attention to a tank plant which has invaded the large evaporation tank at Camden-square. This is closely allied to the plant which colours red snow, and should a small whirlwind, such as causes showers of frogs, pass over the tank, a shower of red rain would probably follow.

The Queen has just written to a Tenby lady, Miss James, a local historical authoress of repute, and thanked her for forwarding a true anecdote of an aged Welshwoman, who upon hearing that King Edward had ascended the throne, expressed great surprise, and then added that he must surely be very old as she remembered hearing grown up people talk about him when she was a little girl! As a matter of fact—incredible as it may appear—the good dame had confounded Edward VII. with Edward II.

A Lightning Research Committee, organised by the Royal Institute of British Architects, is at present engaged in collecting information as to damage resulting from lightning stroke. It is just upon twenty years since what was known as a Lightning Rod Conference held an exhaustive inquiry, and drew up a code of rules for the erection of conductors. Those rules have served as a valuable text book ever since; but since that time no information has been collected as to the effect of lightning strokes on protected buildings, so that the result of the labours of the committee now instituting inquiries should not be without interest and importance.

Ping-pong is, as most people now know, played on a table, with a miniature tennis net, baby battledores and an elusive celluloid ball. There is no science and little sense, but the fun is apt to wax fast and furious. A much more serious affair is the German game for two, called Salta. Indeed, it threatens to become a serious rival to chess. There are already champion players, and a Salta tournament took place the other day at Monte Carlo. One of the most beautiful exhibits at the Paris Exhibition was a Salta table, made of rare wood, inlaid with ivory and enamel and very richly jewelled with countless diamonds. The board resembles a chess-board, but the movements recall the game of draughts.

Still, as proof of the hold that Bridge has obtained on our hearts, may be mentioned the new departure of "Living Bridge." The other day at Brighton a game was arranged to be played by ladies and men, personating the different suits of cards. Four players directed the movements, in fact played the game. And the living cards were trained to instant compliance with orders, gliding about at the word of command. They were, of course, dressed in accordance with the cards they represented—kings, queens, knaves, aces, and the rest. The effect was pretty, and helped to make a Brighton holiday. One wonders if "Living Bridge" will be one of the amusements of this coming season.

John Palmer, who was born in 1742, nearly half a century after Ralph Allen, had a more chequered career in postal reform. It was in 1782 that he submitted his plan to the Government, and for years the Department concerned tried by every means to defeat his schemes of reform. It was Pitt the younger who appointed him Comptroller-General of the Post Office, and under his rule the postal revenue increased by £100,000 a year. However, his enemies never let him rest, and ultimately secured his discharge, and his contract, by which he was to receive 2 1-2 per cent. commission on the net revenue was ignored. Instead of a sum of close upon a quarter of a million, he received £50,000.

Everyone in Paris, most people in South Africa, and a good many in London, know Thomeguex, celebrated principally as a swordsman. The duel of Thomeguex and Pini, the Italian champion, at which Tout-Paris assisted as at a fashionable matinee, has a unique place in the annals of the Ville-Lumiere; and the subsequent formation by Thomeguex of a kind of duelling "trust," or syndicate, to challenge all Italy, kept the newspapers lively for a long time. Thomeguex, who is a tall, broad-shouldered man of fine physique, carries his forty-seven years as lightly as he does the long fair ringlets that fall almost to his shoulders. His little apartment in the rue St. Honore is a miniature museum of terrible weapons and jaunty pictures.

It can be said of the two postal reformers whose memories have just been honoured at Bath—Ralph Allen, the originator of cross posts, and John Palmer, who instituted mail coaches, that both of them made fortunes out of their enterprise and energy. Allen, who lived to be the elder Pitt's most intimate friend, made a profit from 1720 to 1764, of about £12,000 a year out of his system, after paying the Government the guaranteed revenue of £6,000 per annum. His acquisition of the Combe quarries added largely to his income. He became a man of wealth and influence, and all the greatest wits of the age were entertained at his mansion, Prior Park, three or four miles from Bath.

The offices of the "South African News" at Cape Town which had stigmatised the Australian troops as the scum of the earth, were raided by the Colonials due to embark in the Tonjariro. The windows, says the "Daily Mail", were smashed, the front door taken off its hinges and used as a battering ram, and newspaper files scattered about the office. Tables were broken up and typewriters thrown on the floor. The men were anxious to find the editor, but he had escaped through the office window. The police did not succeed in making any arrests. Next day some one from the Provost Marshal's office called at the "News" and paid for the damage.

Lord Grimthorpe is now a very aged man, having been born in 1816, and has for many years been known as a keen supporter of the Protestant party in the Church of England. His marriage was ecclesiastical, his wife being daughter of a former Bishop of Lichfield. Lord Grimthorpe is a man of many hobbies. He takes great interest in architecture, and did much towards the restoration of St. Alban's Cathedral. But his chief fad is clock and watch making, at which he is a veritable expert. He designed "Big Ben," the great clock at Westminster, and is now at work on a large clock which is being erected on the tower of a parish church near Oakham. He has a workshop of his own, to which he often takes his friends' watches for repair. Lord Grimthorpe's heir is his nephew, Mr. Ernest Beckett, member for the Whitby division of Yorkshire. The family derive their riches from the firm of Beckett and Co., bankers, at Leeds.

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THERE was a general opinion amongst the members of the Oxford and Cambridge Golfing Society that the team which has been doing duty for them during the last ten days was stronger than that which visited Lancashire and Cheshire in 1899—in fact it was regarded as about the most powerful side that the organisation had ever turned out. If this be correct, and they still hold to the opinion after the disaster at Hoylake, I think we can flatter ourselves in England that the general standard of golf has improved amongst the clubs in the North and I candidly think that it has. May be many of the younger players have gained in experience, and experience to a very potent factor in matches such as have been played during the past week. On the whole the Royal Liverpool, the Lytham and St. Annes, and the Formby clubs can justifiably congratulate themselves on the results of the past week.

The game of the tour at Hoylake—the "Blood" match as their worthy secretary termed it—ended rather disappointingly. It was generally anticipated that the result would, at least, prove comparatively close; and it must be acknowledged that opinions as to the margin were very much divided. The opening stages of the match rather suggested, that there would be a good fight, as notwithstanding the fact that the head of the team were doing well—as they generally do, there was still the centre and tail of the combination to neutralise any little advantage thus gained by the leaders. For once in a way, however, the latter players did their duty manfully, and rose to the occasion, with the result that the home team finished the first half of the match with the very useful lead of 16 holes—a lead which, whilst not leaving them in an absolutely safe position, precluded any possibility of a heavy defeat.

The earlier stages of the second round, however, quickly dispelled any possibility of defeat, the first men to arrive home all making substantial additions to the total, and eventually when Mr. Dick got back—having transmogrified an adverse balance of three holes of the morning into a credit balance of eight in the afternoon—the match was over, and it only became a question of the severity of the defeat. The result was unexpected, and caused several members of the Society to ponder very deeply. Ever the warmest partisans of Hoylake golf have concluded that the form was not quite correct. That the R.L.G.C. with their local knowledge, were the strongest lot I always believed, but I hardly think that if the match were played again the verdict would be anything like 47 holes in favour of the Hoylake men.

The play of Mr. Bramston undoubtedly supplied the most interesting item in the week's golf. That the Wykehamist would be as successful as at Westward Ho last year could hardly be expected, for then he accomplished a performance which can only be expected to happen occasionally. During the recent tour he has certainly been rather highly feted in being called upon to meet Mr. Graham at Hoylake, Mr. Hilton at Hoylake and Formby, and Mr. Laidlay at Hallroad. The first of these matches supplied a very interesting test between two of the most promising of the younger generation. Unfortunately, however, Mr. Bramston was far from being in his best form at the beginning of the match, a fact which enabled his opponent to gain such a substantial lead as he never lost. The Oxonian's game against Mr. Laidlay at Hall-road, on Saturday, also provided a most interesting trial of strength between representatives of the old and the young school. Experience, however, triumphed by four holes on the two rounds, the Scottish golfer being served by a slightly better knowledge of the course, over which Mr. Bramston had never previously played, whereas his opponent had had the advantage of a day's practice on it previous to the match. Throughout the matches Mr. Laidlay exhibited exceptionally steady golf, and thoroughly maintained his great reputation.

The last match of the society's tour against Mr. Hilton's team at Hall-road proved the closest of the series, as only nine holes divided the teams at the finish. What the result would have been had three of the visitors not failed to realize the fact that there were numerous trains from Liverpool to Hall-road before 1-45, is a mere matter of speculation but the meeting provided an interesting encounter and it may truly be said that the links of the West Lancashire Club never had such a galaxy of golfing talent performing upon it as on Saturday, April 20.

Of all the Varsity players none has been quite as successful as Mr. R. H. de Montmorency, who, judging by the consistency of his form and the severity with which he treated the majority of his opponents, may be said to have fairly earned the distinction of being the hero of the team. At St. Annes he collected no fewer than nine holes, at Formby six, at Hoylake three, while he concluded at Hall-Road by placing eight holes to the credit of his side—a mere matter of 26 holes in six rounds. I may say that Mr. de Montmorency has expressed the opinion that the links around Liverpool supply an excellent test of golf.

It is plainly evident that the Oxford and Cambridge Society are fortunate in the selection of their honorary officials. The secretary is a most indefatigable individual, who, despite the multifarious labours which are heaped upon his shoulders, can find time to explain at least a few of the many theories he has propounded in his leisure moments. Again, if the captain, Mr. J. L. Low, is not quite as energetic an official as the secretary, he, nevertheless, supplies quite 50 per cent. of the humorous side of the tour, and in addition, is always quite ready to carry on any argument or conversation to which Mr. Croome does not feel equal. As to the qualifications of Mr. de Montmorency as honorary treasurer the outside world naturally know little, but that he appreciates his post can be evident by the fact that in the report of the Society for 1900 he remarks that he desires to point out that a balance only exists in order that it may be decreased by judicious expenditure.

It was a great pity that the Formby club could not get together their best team for the match with Royal North Devon club, as on their form against the Varsities during the previous week there was every prospect of a good fight. As it was the interest in the game quickly evaporated, for it was early evident that the home club were to be handled more or less unmercifully. In the foursomes the feature of the play was the defeat of Messrs. Hilton and Hogg by Messrs. Bramston and Winterscale, the latter pair setting such a pace that the local combination could not live with them. Mr. Winterscale's putting bordered on the phenomenal, and at one time it looked very probable that the Formby pair would lose by even more than six holes.

The Royal Liverpool Club having now settled the pretensions of the Oxford and Cambridge Society will have to turn their attentions to an almost more severe task—that of tackling the Tantallon Club at St. Andrews, and there to wipe out a little defeat which resulted during the championship meeting at Prestwick in 1899. Tantallon are sure to have a strong team, but it is probable that Royal Liverpool will be able to take North a stronger team than has previously done duty for them in a match away from home. In addition to Messrs. Hilton, Graham, Hutchings, Dick, and Holden, they will also have the assistance of Messrs. Horace Hutchinson and J. L. Low.

Taylor and Vardon have met, and the champion has added a little more to his reputation by defeating the Ganton man two holes from home—not a decisive, but a fairly comfortable victory. Vardon has now been twice defeated—a fact which rather tends to add to the interest of the play of the coming season. In fact, I can never remember a year in which the prospects of professional golf looked as bright as they do at the present moment, and judging by the form so far exhibited it would be difficult to say which of Taylor, Vardon, Braid, and White is playing best.

There has been so much to engage the attention of the golfer during the past few weeks that the fact that in a fortnight's time, the amateur championship will have commenced and nearly concluded, seems to have been quite overlooked. Entries close next Wednesday, and the draw will take place two days later. Not since 1895 has the championship been played at St. Andrew's, and, as the Scottish representatives have in the past generally done well on their most famous course, hopes of regaining the blue riband of amateur golf run high in the land o' cakes.

Mr. H. G. Hutchinson is the only Englishman who has won the amateur championship at St. Andrews. On the last occasion of the meeting being held on that course Mr. Leslie Balfour-Melville proved successful; and he and Mr. J. E. Laidlay, who secured both his championships at St. Andrews will be the only past Scottish holders of the title who will turn out on the forthcoming occasion.

England, too, will have at the most but a couple of past holders in the field—viz., Mr. H. H. Hilton and Mr. H. G. Hutchinson. Consequently, there is a very great chance of the title being wrested from the old school; and there is not the slightest doubt that the success of a member of the younger generation would do a lot of good to the game. There is far too little variety in the list of amateur champions."

Scotland this year is richer than England in brilliant young players, and as a lot of a good thing is naturally more powerful than a little, Scotland may regain the title. On this season's form the only Englishmen who appear to stand really good chances of winning are Mr. H. H. Hilton and Mr. J. Graham junior. Mr. Graham has been playing a particularly fine game of late, and he will very likely improve on his performance of last year, when he reached the semi-final. Just prior to that meeting he had been suffering from mumps, and in the semi-final he was undoubtedly put off his game by Mr. Hilton holing a long brassie shot at the first hole. Such an incident must have had a great moral effect.

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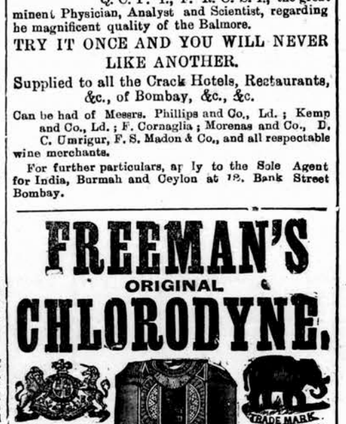

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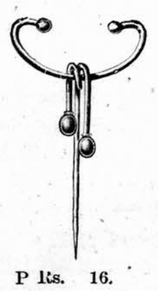
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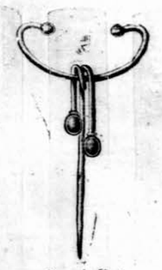
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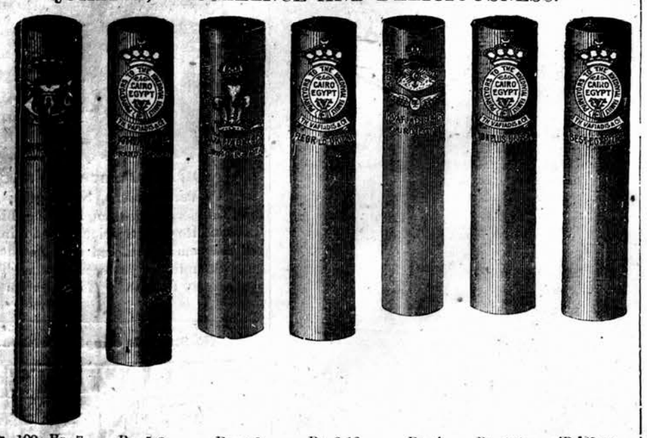

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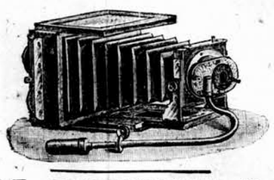

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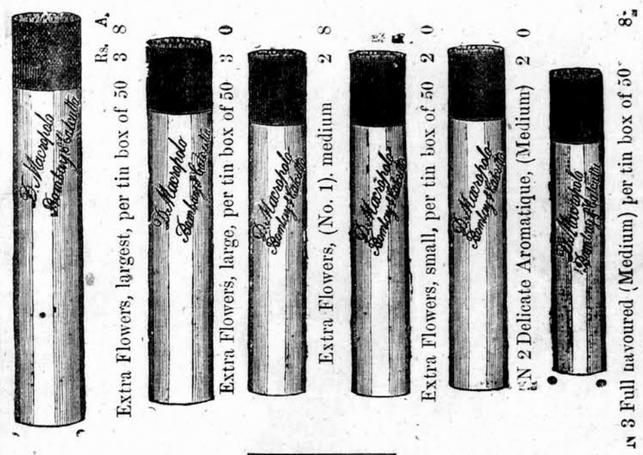
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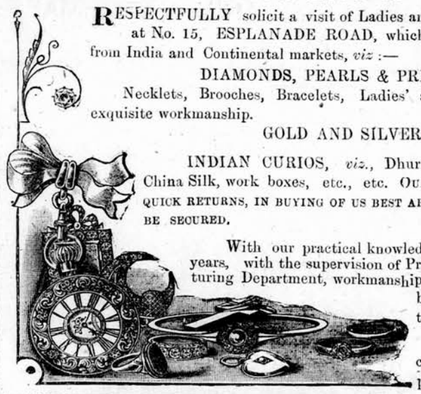

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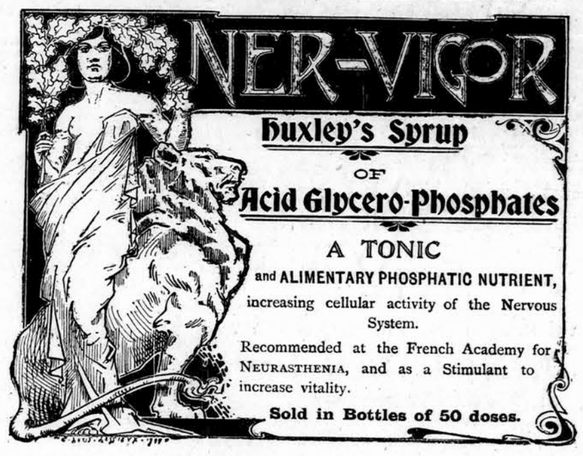
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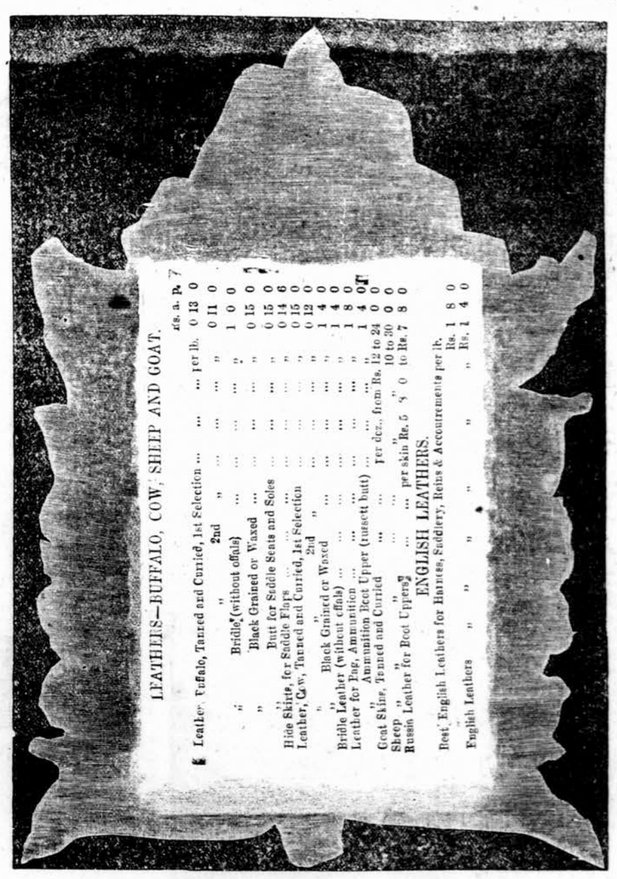
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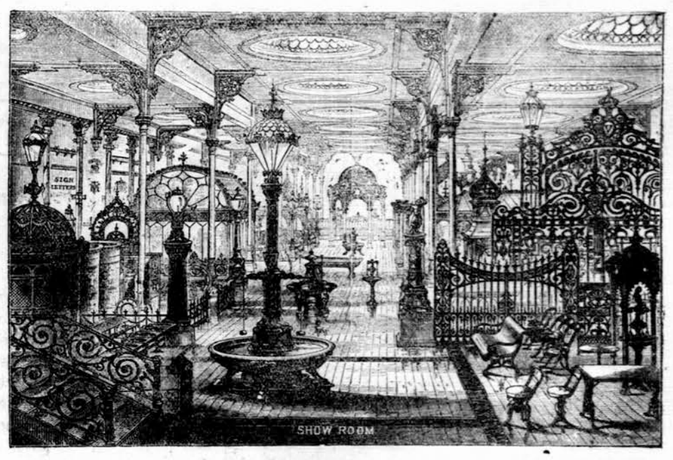

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